# PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 17, 2025

Book-Entry Only New Issue – <u>Not</u> Bank Qualified Rating: "\_\_\_" Moody's (Underlying)

"\_\_\_" (Enhanced)

See "RATING" herein

In the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds, based upon an analysis of laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, and assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants made by the District, and subject to the conditions and limitations set forth herein under the caption "LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Treatment," interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Interest on the Bonds is exempt from Kentucky income tax, and the Bonds are exempt from advalorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.



# \$16,740,000\* KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

**Dated: Date of Issuance** 

Due: December 1, as shown below

Interest on the above-captioned Bonds (the "Bonds") will be payable from their dated date, on each June 1 and December 1, commencing June 1, 2026, and the Bonds mature on each December 1, as shown below:

Maturing		Interest	Reoffering		Maturing		Interest	Reoffering	
1-Dec	Amount*	Rate	Yield	CUSIP	1-Dec	Amount*	Rate	Yield	CUSIP
2026	\$300,000	%	%		2036	\$830,000	%	%	
2027	\$300,000	%	%		2037	\$855,000	%	%	
2028	\$300,000	%	%		2038	\$1,050,000	%	%	
2029	\$345,000	%	%		2039	\$1,095,000	%	%	
2030	\$480,000	%	%		2040	\$1,260,000	%	%	
2031	\$630,000	%	%		2041	\$1,305,000	%	%	
2032	\$650,000	%	%		2042	\$1,205,000	%	%	
2033	\$660,000	%	%		2043	\$1,285,000	%	%	
2034	\$675,000	%	%		2044	\$1,330,000	%	%	
2035	\$730,000	%	%		2045	\$1,455,000	%	%	

The Bonds are being issued as fully registered bonds in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds will be issued under a book-entry system and registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company or its nominee. There will be no distribution of the Bonds to the ultimate purchasers. See "THE BONDS – Book-Entry Only System" herein. The principal of the Bonds will be payable when due at the designated corporate trust office of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, as Paying Agent and Registrar. Interest payments will be mailed by the Paying Agent and Registrar to each holder of record as of the fifteenth day of the month preceding the date for such interest payment. The principal of and interest on the Bonds may also be paid by any other transfer of funds acceptable to the Paying Agent and Registrar and the registered owner of the Bonds. See "THE BONDS" herein.

The Bonds are subject to redemption before their stated maturity, as described herein.

The District deems this Preliminary Official Statement to be final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"), except certain information on the cover page hereof and certain pages herein that has been omitted in accordance with the Rule and which will be provided with the final Official Statement.

The Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued, subject to the approval of the legality and tax exemption thereof by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, as Bond Counsel. The Bonds are expected to be available for delivery on or about December 16, 2025.



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## REGARDING THE USE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement does not constitute an offering of any security other than the original offering of the Bonds of the District identified on the cover page hereof. No dealer, broker, salesman, or other person has been authorized by District to give any information or to make any representations, other than those set forth in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been given or authorized by the District or the Municipal Advisor. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell nor the solicitation of an offer to buy, and there shall not be any sale of, the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation, or sale.

The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District since the date hereof.

Upon their issuance, the Bonds will not be registered by the District under any federal or state securities law and will not be listed on any stock exchange or any other securities exchange. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, state, or other governmental entity or agency, except the District, will have passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Official Statement or approved the Bonds for sale.

All of the financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the District from its records, except any information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of this information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other sources, is intended to show recent historic information and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the District. No representation is made that the past experience of the District, as is shown by the financial and other information presented in this Official Statement, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future. Insofar as the statements contained herein involve matters of opinion or estimates, even if not expressly stated as such, such statements are made as such and not as representations of fact or certainty, and no representation is made that any of such statements have been or will be realized. In addition, such statements should also be regarded as suggesting independent investigation or consultation of other sources before the making of any investment decisions. Certain information contained in this Official Statement may not be current; however, attempts were made to date and document all sources of information. Neither this Official Statement nor any oral or written representations made by or on behalf of the District prior to the sale of the Bonds should be regarded as part of the District's contract with the successful bidder or the holders from time to time of the Bonds.

All references in this Official Statement to any provisions of Kentucky law, whether codified in the Kentucky Revised Statutes or uncodified, or to any provisions of the Kentucky Constitution or the District's ordinances or resolutions, in each case, are references to such provisions as they presently exist. Any of these provisions may be amended, repealed, or supplemented from time to time.

As used in this Official Statement, "debt service" means the principal of and premium (if any) and interest on the obligations referred to, "District" means the Kenton County (Kentucky) School District, and "Commonwealth" or "Kentucky" means the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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# \$16,740,000\* KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025A

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page hereof and appendices hereto, is to set forth certain information relating to the issuance of \$16,740,000\* aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025B (the "Bonds") of the Kenton County (Kentucky) School District, as specified on the cover page hereof.

This introduction is not a summary of this Official Statement. It is only a brief description of and a guide to, and is qualified by, more complete and detailed information contained in the entire Official Statement, including the cover page hereof and appendices hereto, and the documents and laws summarized or described herein. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement. The offering of the Bonds to potential investors is made only by means of the entire Official Statement.

The Bonds are being issued by the Kenton County (Kentucky) School District (the "District"), a school district and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The District is located in Kenton County, Kentucky.

The issuance of the Bonds is authorized by (a) Sections 66.011 to 66.191, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, (b) Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and (c) a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education (the "Board") of the District on November 3, 2025 (the "Bond Resolution").

The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) financing the costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, equipping and installing improvements at Piner Elementary School and White's Tower Elementary School, and other related capital improvements (collectively, the "Project"), (ii) paying capitalized interest for the Bonds, if desirable, and (iii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds are a general obligation of the District. The basic security for the Bonds is the District's ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an annual tax in order to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as and when the same become due and payable (see "SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS" herein).

The Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued by the District. The Bonds will be delivered on or about December 16, 2205, in New York, New York, through the Depository Trust Company (DTC).

This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. This Official Statement and the related continuing disclosure documents of the District are intended to be made available through one or more repositories. Copies of the basic documentation relating to the Bonds, including the Bond Resolution and the bond forms, may be obtained from Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, at 50 East Rivercenter Boulevard, Suite 1150, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Additional information regarding this Official Statement or the District, including financial information of the District, is available from RSA Advisors, LLC, 147 East Third Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40508, Telephone: (859) 977-6600, Attention: Dwight Salsbury.

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

The District deems this Preliminary Official Statement to be final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"), except for certain information on the cover page hereof and certain pages herein that has been omitted in accordance with the Rule and will be provided with the final Official Statement.

#### THE BONDS

# **Description of the Bonds**

The Bonds will be dated their date of initial issuance and delivery and will bear interest from such date at the rates set forth on the cover page hereof. The Bonds are being issued as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

Interest on the Bonds will be payable semiannually on each June 1 and December 1, commencing June 1, 2026, from the later of the date of issuance or the Bonds, or the most recent date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, and shall be paid by check or draft mailed by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Paying Agent and Registrar for the Bonds, to the registered owners thereof, as of the applicable record date set forth below, at their respective addresses appearing on the books of the Paying Agent and Registrar. The principal amount of the Bonds shall be paid when due to the registered owners thereof, upon the surrender of the Bonds at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent and Registrar located in Louisville, Kentucky. Alternatively, the principal of and interest on the Bonds may also be paid by any other transfer of funds acceptable to the Paying Agent and Registrar and the registered owners thereof. The record date for each June 1 and December 1 interest payment date shall be the preceding May 15 and November 15, respectively.

# **Authority for Issuance**

The issuance of the Bonds is authorized by (a) Sections 66.011 to 66.191, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, (b) Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and (c) a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education (the "Board") of the District on November 3, 2025 (the "Bond Resolution").

# **Redemption Provisions**\*

Optional Redemption. The Bonds maturing on and after December 1, 2034 shall be subject to optional redemption on December 1, 2033, or any date thereafter, in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as may be selected by the District, and by lot within any maturity, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption, without premium.

[Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption. The Bonds maturing on the dates set forth below are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption before maturity, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the dates, in the years, and in the principal amounts as follows:]

Maturing Dece	mber 1, 20[]
<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 1, 20	\$
December 1, 20	\$
December 1, 20*	\$
Final Maturity	

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

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Notice of Redemption. If less than all Bonds which, by their terms, are payable on the same date are to be called for redemption, the particular Bonds or portions thereof payable on such date and to be redeemed shall be selected by lot, by the Paying Agent and Registrar, in such manner as the Paying Agent and Registrar, in its discretion, may determine; provided, however, that (i) the portion of any Bond to be redeemed shall be in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and (ii) in selecting Bonds for redemption, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall treat each Bond as representing the number of Bonds which is obtained by dividing the principal amount of such Bond by \$5,000.

At least thirty days before the redemption date of any Bonds, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall cause a notice of such redemption, signed by the Paying Agent and Registrar, to be mailed, postage prepaid, to all registered owners of the Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed, at their addresses as they appear on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent and Registrar; provided, however, that the failure to mail such notice shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption. Each notice of redemption shall set forth the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price to be paid, and, if less than all of the Bonds being payable by their terms on a single date then outstanding shall be called for redemption, the distinctive numbers or letters, if any, of the Bonds to be redeemed. In addition, if any Bond is to be redeemed in part only, such redemption notice shall also set forth the portion of the principal amount of such Bond to be redeemed and shall include a statement that on or after the date fixed for redemption, upon the surrender of such Bond for redemption, a new Bond will be issued in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond so redeemed.

On the date so fixed for redemption, notice having been sent in the manner and under the conditions set forth above, and moneys for the payment of the redemption price being held in a separate account by the Paying Agent and Registrar for the registered owners of the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (i) the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable, at the redemption price provided for the redemption of such Bonds or portions thereof on such date; (ii) interest on the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall cease to accrue; and (iii) the registered owners of the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed shall have no rights in respect thereof, except the right to receive payment of the redemption price thereof and to receive new Bonds for any unredeemed portions of their Bonds.

In case part but not all of an outstanding Bond shall be selected for redemption, the registered owner thereof or their attorney or legal representative shall present and surrender such Bond to the Paying Agent and Registrar for payment of the principal amount thereof so called for redemption, and thereupon, the District shall execute and the Paying Agent and Registrar shall authenticate and deliver to or upon the order of such registered owner or their legal representative, without charge therefor, a new Bond in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond so surrendered, of the same series and maturity and bearing interest at the same rate as the Bond so redeemed.

### **Defeasance**

The Bond Resolution permits the District to defease any of the Bonds before the stated maturity thereof if (i) the District shall have given notice of the redemption of such Bond or Bonds in accordance with the Bond Resolution or shall have provided for the giving of such notice at the appropriate time, and (ii) there shall have been deposited with the Paying Agent, or any other fiduciary, either (a) moneys in an amount sufficient, or (b) Defeasance Obligations, the principal of and the interest on which, when due, will provide moneys in an amount which, together with any moneys deposited with the Paying Agent or other fiduciary at the same time, shall be sufficient, in either case, to pay, when due, the principal or redemption price, if any, and interest due and to become due on such Bonds on and before their stated maturity, the applicable redemption date, or the immediately succeeding interest payment date thereof, as the case may be. Neither any Defeasance Obligations, nor any moneys so deposited with the Paying Agent or with such other fiduciary, nor any principal or interest payments received from any Defeasance Obligations, shall be withdrawn or used for any purposes other than,

and shall be held in trust for, the payment of the principal or redemption price, if any, of any of the Bonds and any interest thereon; provided, however, that any cash received from such principal or interest payments on such Defeasance Obligations and deposited with the Paying Agent or any other fiduciary, if not then needed for such purposes, shall, to the extent practicable, be (1) reinvested in Defeasance Obligations maturing at such times and in such amounts as shall be sufficient to pay, when due, the principal or redemption price, if any, and interest to become due on any Bonds on and before their stated maturity, the applicable redemption date, or the immediately succeeding interest payment date thereof, as the case may be, and (2) paid over to the District, following the full discharge and payment of such Bonds, free and clear of any trust, lien, or pledge.

For the foregoing purposes, "Defeasance Obligations" means:

- (a) non-callable direct obligations of the United States, including U.S. Treasury bills, notes, bonds, and zero coupon bonds, U.S. Treasury Obligations State and Local Government Series (SLGS), and direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have been stripped by the Treasury itself, including CATS, TIGRS, and similar securities;
- (b) non-callable obligations issued or guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States; and
- (c) non-callable senior debt obligations issued or guaranteed by any Federal Home Loan Bank or any Federal Home Loan Bank Board or by the Farm Credit System, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the Federal National Mortgage Association.

# **Book-Entry Only System**

The Bonds will initially be issued solely in book-entry form, to be held in the book-entry only system maintained by The Depository Trust Company (DTC). When issued, the Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC. The purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds. So long as the book-entry only system of DTC is used, only DTC will receive, or have the right to receive, physical delivery of the Bonds, and the beneficial owners of the Bonds will not be or be considered to be, and will not have any rights as, owners or holders of the Bonds under the Bond Resolution. In addition, so long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Bonds, the Paying Agent and Registrar will make all payments of principal and interest due on the Bonds directly to DTC. For additional information regarding DTC and the book-entry only system see "Appendix G – Book-Entry Only System" hereto.

THE INFORMATION SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION AND APPENDIX G ATTACHED HERETO CONCERNING DTC AND ITS BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM SOURCES THAT THE DISTRICT BELIEVES TO BE RELIABLE, BUT THE DISTRICT TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACCURACY THEREOF.

#### SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS

## **General Obligation**

The Bonds are general obligations of the District, and the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the District are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as and when due and payable. The basic security for general obligation indebtedness of the District, including the Bonds, is the District's ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an annual tax to pay the principal of and interest on all general obligation indebtedness of the District, including the Bonds, as and when the same become due and payable. The tax must be levied in sufficient amount to pay, as and when the same become due and payable, the principal of and interest on all outstanding general obligation bonds, including the Bonds, and other outstanding general obligation indebtedness of the District. Under Section 159 of the Kentucky Constitution, the District is required

to collect an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on all authorized indebtedness and to establish and maintain a sinking fund for the payment of the principal amount thereof. The Bond Resolution provides for the levy of such annual tax, which shall be collected to the extent other lawfully available moneys of the District are not provided or available. The Bond Resolution also creates and provides for the maintenance of a Sinking Fund, into which the proceeds of such annual tax or other lawfully available moneys of the District are to be deposited for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and all other general obligation indebtedness of the District, and the amounts on deposit in the Sinking Fund shall not be used for any other purpose.

# **Statutory Lien**

Section 66.400 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "Municipal Bankruptcy Law"), permits any political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality of the Commonwealth, such as the District, for the purpose of enabling such political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality to take advantage of the provisions of Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code and, for that purpose only, (i) to file a petition stating that such political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality (a) is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature, and (b) desires to effectuate a plan for the composition or readjustment of its debts, and (ii) to take any further proceedings as are set forth in the United States Bankruptcy Code, as they relate to such political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality. Under the Municipal Bankruptcy Law, the District does not need the approval or permission of the Kentucky Department for Local Government's State Local Debt Officer or any other governmental authority before availing itself of the bankruptcy process. In addition, under the Municipal Bankruptcy Law, the District may be authorized to initiate Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceedings without any prior notice to or consent of its creditors, which bankruptcy proceedings may result in a material and adverse modification or alteration of the rights of the District's secured and unsecured creditors, including the holders of its bonds and notes. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATION – Risk of Bankruptcy" herein.

The Municipal Bankruptcy Law provides that (a) a statutory lien exists on any tax revenues pledged for the benefit of general obligation debt; (b) such tax revenues are pledged for the repayment of the principal of and premium (if any) and interest on all outstanding general obligation indebtedness, regardless of whether such pledge is contained in the documents or proceedings authorizing such indebtedness; and (c) such pledge constitutes a first lien on such tax revenues. In addition, the Municipal Bankruptcy Law also creates a statutory lien on annual appropriations for the payment of any obligations subject to annual renewal, including, without limitation, any leases entered into under Chapter 58 and Chapter 65 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

The validity and priority of the statutory lien imposed by the Municipal Bankruptcy Law have not been adjudicated in any Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise.

# **State Intercept**

The District has agreed that so long as the Bonds are outstanding, and in conformance with the intent and purpose of Section 157.627(5) and Section 160.160(5) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, in the event of any failure by the District to pay debt service on the Bonds, and unless sufficient funds have been or will be transmitted to the Paying Agent and Registrar for the payment of such debt service when due, the District will (i) notify and request the Kentucky Department of Education to withhold from the District a sufficient portion of any undisbursed funds then held, set aside, or allocated to the District, and (ii) request either the Kentucky Department of Education or the Commissioner of Education thereof to transfer the required amount of such withheld funds to the Paying Agent and Registrar for the payment of such debt service.

## **State Participation**

The Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission (the "Commission") is an independent corporate agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth established and existing under the provisions of Sections 157.611 to 157.640, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as repealed, amended, and reenacted (the "Act") for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting the school construction needs of the Commonwealth in a manner which will ensure an equitable distribution of funds based upon unmet need.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Regulations of the Kentucky Board of Education and the Commission, the Commission has determined that it will not participate in the payment of debt service on the Bonds.

#### PLAN OF FINANCING

The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) acquiring, constructing, renovating, equipping and installing improvements at Piner Elementary School and White's Tower Elementary School, and other related capital improvements (collectively, the "Project"), (ii) paying capitalized interest for the Bonds, if desirable, and (iii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, including rating fees, the fees of the Municipal Advisor, the Paying Agent and Registrar, and Bond Counsel, and all other appropriate expenses as may be approved by the District.

#### SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

Sources:	
Bond Proceeds	\$
[Plus Original Issue Premium][Less Original Issue Discount]	
Total Sources	\$
Uses:	
Underwriter's Discount	\$
Deposit to Construction Fund	
Cost of Issuance*	
Total Uses	\$

# **INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The following is a discussion of certain investment considerations for investors to consider regarding risks that could affect payments to be made with respect to the Bonds. Such discussion is not exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with all other parts of this Official Statement and should not be considered as a complete description of all of the risks that could affect such payments. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should carefully analyze all of the information contained in this Official Statement, including the Appendices hereto, and any additional information in the form of the complete documents summarized herein, copies of which are available as described herein.

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Municipal Advisor Fee, Bond Counsel Fee, paying agent fee, rating agency fee and printing and advertising.

#### **Limitation on Enforcement of Remedies**

The enforcement of the remedies applicable to the Bonds under the Bond Resolution may be limited or restricted by laws relating to bankruptcy and insolvency and by the rights of creditors under the application of general principles of equity, and may be substantially delayed or subject to judicial discretion in the event of litigation or the use of statutory remedial procedures. All legal opinions concerning the enforceability of the Bonds delivered in connection with the Bonds contain an exception with respect to the limitations that may be imposed by bankruptcy and insolvency laws and by the rights of creditors under general principles of equity.

# Risk of Bankruptcy

The obligations of the District under the Bonds and the Bond Resolution are general obligations of the District and are secured by the pledge of the District's full faith, credit, and taxing power, any moneys held in the District's Sinking Fund (on a parity with all other general obligation indebtedness of the District) or the Bond Payment Fund established under the Bond Resolution, and the statutory lien provided by the Municipal Bankruptcy Law. A bondholder's enforcement of any remedy provided by the Bond Resolution may be limited or delayed in the event of the application of any federal bankruptcy laws or any other laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and may be substantially delayed and subject to judicial discretion in the event of litigation or required use of statutory remedial procedures. The validity and priority of the statutory lien provided by the Municipal Bankruptcy Law have not been adjudicated in any Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise.

In accordance with the Municipal Bankruptcy Law, the District is permitted to file a petition for relief under Chapter 9 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") without the prior approval of any official or department of state government, including the Kentucky Department for Local Government's State Local Debt Officer. If the District were to file such a petition, the filing would operate as an automatic stay of the commencement or continuation of any judicial or other proceedings against the District and any interest in (a) any moneys contained in the Sinking Fund or the Bond Payment Fund, (b) the District's general fund revenues, or (c) the District's taxing power. However, any such petition does not stay the application of pledged special revenues, as defined by the Bankruptcy Code.

During its bankruptcy proceedings, the District could use its property, including its tax receipts and the proceeds thereof, but excluding any pledged special revenues, for the benefit of its bankruptcy estate, despite the claims of its creditors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is possible that the District could use its pledged special revenues to pay certain operating expenses, even after filing its bankruptcy petition.

In a Chapter 9 proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code, only the District, and not any other creditor or party in interest, could file a proposed plan of adjustment. The plan of adjustment is the vehicle for satisfying, and provides for the comprehensive treatment of, all of the claims against the District, and could result in the modification of the rights of any class of creditors, whether secured or unsecured, which modification of rights could be contrary to state law. For a plan to be confirmed, except for one exception discussed below, it must be approved by the vote of each class of impaired creditors. A class of impaired creditors approves a plan if, of those who vote, those holding more than one-half in number and at least two-thirds in amount vote in favor of the plan. If fewer than all impaired classes vote to accept the plan, the plan may nevertheless be confirmed by the bankruptcy court, and all claims and interests would be bound thereby, regardless of whether or how they voted. For this "cramdown" to occur, at least one of the impaired classes must vote to accept the plan and the bankruptcy court must determine that the plan does not "discriminate unfairly" and is "fair and equitable" with respect to the non-consenting classes. In addition, for a plan of adjustment to be confirmed, the bankruptcy court must also determine that the plan, among other requirements, is proposed in good faith and is in the best interest of creditors, such that the plan of adjustment represents a reasonable effort by the District to satisfy its debts and is a better alternative than dismissal of the bankruptcy case. Unlike in a Chapter 11 proceeding, in a Chapter 9 proceeding, this standard does not include the use of a liquidation analysis.

Generally, the District would likely receive a discharge of its debts after (i) the plan of adjustment is confirmed; (ii) the District deposits any consideration to be distributed under the plan with a disbursing agent appointed by the bankruptcy court; and (iii) the bankruptcy court determines that the securities so deposited with the disbursing agent will constitute valid and legal obligations of the District and that any provision made to pay, or to secure the payment of, such obligations is valid.

See the additional discussion regarding the statutory pledge of tax revenues provided for the Bonds under the heading "SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS – Statutory Lien" herein. Prospective bondholders should consult their legal counsel regarding the impact of a bankruptcy filing by the District on the payment and security of the Bonds.

# **Suitability of Investment**

An investment in the Bonds involves a certain degree of risk. The interest rates borne by the Bonds are intended to compensate the investor for assuming this element of risk. Prospective investors should carefully examine this Official Statement in its entirety, including the Appendices hereto, and assess their ability to bear the economic risk of such an investment and determine whether or not the Bonds are an appropriate investment for them.

#### **Additional Debt**

The District may, from time to time, issue additional general obligation bonds or notes. The issuance of additional general obligation bonds or notes would increase the District's overall debt service requirements and could adversely affect the debt service coverage on the Bonds.

#### **General Economic Conditions**

Adverse general economic conditions may result in, among other adverse circumstances, a reduction in general tax revenues or decrease in investment portfolio values, resulting in increased funding requirements, which could negatively impact the results of operations and overall financial condition of the District.

### Market for the Bonds

There is presently no secondary market for the Bonds and no assurance that a secondary market will develop. Consequently, investors may not be able to resell any of the Bonds they purchase should they need or wish to do so for emergency or other purposes.

# **Bond Rating**

There can be no assurance that the municipal bond rating assigned to the Bonds at the time of their issuance will not be lowered or withdrawn at any time in the future, the effect of which could adversely affect the market price for the Bonds and the marketability of the Bonds. For more information, see "RATING" herein.

## **Tax Implications**

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds may need to consult their own tax advisors before purchasing any Bonds regarding the impact of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), upon their acquisition, holding, or disposition of the Bonds.

#### THE DISTRICT

#### General

The District is a school district and political subdivision of the Commonwealth existing under and by virtue of Chapter 160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. In accordance with Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the District is under the management and control of the Kenton County Board of Education, consisting of five members, representing each of the District's five educational districts, elected to a four-year term on a non-partisan ballot by the voters of their respective educational districts. Each year, the Board elects a Chair and a Vice Chair from its members to serve a one year term. The Superintendent of the District serves as the executive agent of the Board and has the authority and responsibility to implement Board policy.

The Board has general control and management of all public schools within the District, including the control and management of all public school funds and school property, and may use such funds and property to promote public education within the District. The Board has the power, among others, to levy tax rates in compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements and to issue bonds to build and construct improvements to the public schools and related facilities within the District.

# **Kentucky Department of Education Supervision**

No later than September 30 of each year, the District is required to submit to the Kentucky Department of Education (the "KDE") a tentative and working budget, on forms prescribed and furnished by the KDE, showing the amount of money needed for current expenses, debt service, capital outlay, and other necessary expenses of the District during the succeeding fiscal year, as well as the estimated amount that will be received from all other sources. The working budget shall be disapproved by the KDE if (i) it is financially unsound, (ii) it fails to provide for (a) the payment of maturing principal and interest on any outstanding voted school improvement bonds, or (b) the payment of rentals in connection with any outstanding school building revenue bonds, or (iii) it fails to comply with any applicable law.

Each year, upon the receipt of local property assessments from the Kentucky Department of Revenue, the KDE certifies to the District (i) the general tax rate that the District could levy under Section 160.470(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and the amount of revenue expected to be produced, (ii) the compensating tax rate, as defined in Section 132.010 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, for the District's general tax rate and the amount of revenue expected to be produced, and (c) the general tax rate which will produce, respectively, no more revenue from real property, exclusive of any revenue from new property, than 4% over the amount of revenue produced by the compensating tax rate described in (ii) above, and the amount of revenue expected to be produced. Within thirty days after the District has received its tax assessment data, the rates levied by the District shall be forwarded to the KDE for its approval or disapproval.

KDE supervision also extends to other areas of local school finance, including supervision of general operations, such as the examination of business methods and accounts of the District and requirements for the submission to the KDE of prompt, detailed reports of all receipts and expenditures. The KDE also requires all local school districts, including the District, who have entered into contracts for the issuance of bonds to arrange for insurance protection in an amount equal to the full insurable value of the buildings and for the continuous retention of such insurance. KDE's supervision and control over local school districts in the Commonwealth is believed to be a major contribution toward the maintenance of Kentucky's perfect record of no defaults in the payment of its revenue bonds for school purposes.

#### **Revenue Sources within the District**

# **General Property and Motor Vehicle Tax**

The Board of the District levies a tax on real estate, personal property, and motor vehicles at a specific rate per 100.00 of assessed valuation. See "Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto for the rates assessed over the previous five-year period.

## **SEEK Program**

The SEEK Program allocates biennial appropriations from the Kentucky General Assembly to each school district in Kentucky. The base level of funding is determined for each fiscal year by dividing the total annual SEEK appropriation by the state-wide total of pupils in average daily attendance in the preceding fiscal year. Each district's share of SEEK funding is subject to adjustment in order to reflect various factors.

See "Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto for a recent history of the SEEK Program appropriations to the District.

# **Capital Outlay Allotment**

The SEEK Program also provides for an annual payment to all Kentucky school districts for capital construction or acquisition (the "Capital Outlay Allotment"). Funds from the Capital Outlay Allotment are not directly pledged for debt service but, as a practical matter, and to the extent needed, have been and will continue to be applied to debt service through rental payments on lease agreements and general obligation bond payments.

The Commonwealth has established a formula to calculate Capital Outlay Allotments, which results in the allocation of funds to a district for capital expenditures at a rate of \$100.00 per average daily pupils in attendance. Capital Outlay Allotments are required to be segregated into the Capital Outlay Allotment Fund and may be used only for (i) the direct payment of construction costs; (ii) the payment of debt service on voted

and funding bonds; (iii) the payment of lease rental payments or general obligation bond payments in support of bond issues; (iv) the reduction of any deficits resulting from over-expenditures for any emergency capital construction; and (v) the establishment of a reserve for each of the categories enumerated in (i) through (iv).

The Capital Outlay Allotment received by the District for the most recent five-year period is set forth in "Appendix B-Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto.

## FSPK Program

The FSPK Program provides funds for districts to support debt service and capital expenditures. The amount of FSPK funds a particular district receives is based on a funding formula that takes into consideration such district's average daily attendance and the amount of local revenue generated on such district's tax base relative to a state-wide average assessment.

See "Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto for a recent history of the FSPK Program appropriations to the District.

#### **Tax Base Information**

# **Homestead Exemption**

Section 170 of the Kentucky Constitution was amended by Kentucky voters at the General Election held on November 2, 1971, to exempt from property taxes the first \$6,500 of single-unit residential property of taxpayers 65 years of age or older. After that election, the 1972 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly enacted Section 132.810 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes in order to establish the qualifications for the homestead exemption and to provide for the application thereof. In later legislative sessions, the Kentucky General Assembly amended Section 132.810 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, (i) to enlarge the "single-unit" qualification to allow the homestead exemption to apply to real property "held by legal or equitable title, by the entireties, jointly, in common, as a condominium" maintained as the permanent residence of the owner, (ii) to construe the \$6,500 exemption to mean \$6,500 in terms of the purchasing power of the dollar in 1972, (iii) to allow the maximum exemption to be adjusted every two years if the cost of living index of the United States Department of Labor has changed as much as 1% over the preceding two-year period, and (iv) to permit counties and school districts to adjust local tax revenues through increases in tax rates on non-exempt property to generate tax revenues in an amount equivalent to the revenues lost through the application of the homestead exemption. The amount of the individual homestead exemption for the current tax period is \$49,100.

#### **Limitation on Taxation**

The 1990 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly, in enacting the comprehensive KERA legislative package, (i) amended the provisions of Section 160.470 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, which prohibited school districts from levying ad valorem property taxes that would generate revenues in excess of 4% of the previous year's revenues without such levy being subject to recall, and (ii) amended Section 157.440 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, for the purpose of creating an exception to the referendum and public hearing requirements imposed by Section 160.470 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes for certain taxes levied by school districts.

Under Section 160.470(9) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, for fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, school districts are permitted to levy a "minimum equivalent tax rate" of \$0.30 for general school purposes. The "equivalent tax rate" is defined as the rate that results when the income collected during the prior year from all taxes (including occupational and utility taxes) levied by the district for school purposes is divided by the total assessed value of property plus the assessment for motor vehicles certified by the Kentucky Department

of Revenue. Failure to levy the minimum equivalent rate subjects the board of the district to removal. Levies permitted by Section 160.470(9) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes are not subject to the public hearing or recall provisions set forth in Section 160.470(7) and (8) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Under Section 157.440(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes for fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, school districts are permitted to levy an "equivalent tax rate," as defined in Section 160.470(9) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, which will produce up to 15% of those revenues guaranteed by the SEEK Program. Levies permitted by Section 157.440(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statues are not subject to the public hearing or recall provisions as set forth in Section 160.470(7) and (8) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Section 159 of the Kentucky Constitution requires the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on contracted indebtedness and to retire indebtedness over a period not exceeding forty years.

Appendix D to this Official Statement contains a Statement of Indebtedness for the District, certified by the Treasurer of the Board, which sets forth the property tax rates currently levied by the District and certifies that the issuance of the Bonds will not cause such tax rates to increase to an amount in excess of the above-described maximum permissible rates.

## **Investment Policy**

Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes sets forth the requirements and limitations relating to investments by the state's political subdivisions, including the District. In accordance with the provisions thereof, the District must adopt an investment policy and may only invest its funds, with the approval of the Kentucky Board of Education, in the classifications of obligations which are eligible for investment, which includes:

- (a) Obligations of the United States and its agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations subject to repurchase agreements, if delivery of such obligations is taken either directly or through an authorized custodian. These investments may be accomplished through repurchase agreements reached with sources including, but not limited to, national or state banks chartered in Kentucky;
- (b) Obligations and contracts for the future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States or a United States governmental agency, including, but not limited to:
  - 1. United States Treasury obligations;
  - 2. United States Export-Import Bank notes or guaranteed participation certificates;
  - 3. Farmers Home Administration insured notes;
  - 4. Governmental National Mortgage Corporation obligations; and
  - 5. Merchant Marine bonds;
- (c) Obligations of any corporation of the United States government, including, but not limited to:
  - 1. the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation;
  - 2. Federal Farm Credit Banks:
  - 3. the Bank for Cooperatives (CoBank);
  - 4. Federal Intermediate Credit Banks;
  - 5. Federal Land Banks;
  - 6. Federal Home Loan Banks;
  - 7. the Federal National Mortgage Association; and
  - 8. the Tennessee Valley Authority;
- (d) Certificates of deposit or other interest-bearing accounts issued through any bank or savings and loan institution having a physical presence in Kentucky which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or a similar entity or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligations, including surety bonds, permitted by Section 41.240(4) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes;
- (e) Uncollateralized certificates of deposit issued by a bank or savings and loan institution having a physical presence in Kentucky rated in one of the three highest categories by a competent rating agency;
- (f) Bankers' acceptances for banks rated in one of the three highest categories by a competent rating agency;
- (g) Commercial paper rated in the highest category by a competent rating agency;
- (h) Bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state and of its agencies and instrumentalities;

- (i) Securities issued by a state or local government, or any instrumentality or agency thereof, in the United States, and rated in one of the three highest categories by a competent rating agency;
- (j) Shares of mutual funds, each of which shall have the following characteristics:
  - 1. The mutual fund shall be an open-end diversified investment company registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended;
  - 2. The management company of the investment company shall have been in operation for at least five years; and
  - 3. All of the securities in the mutual fund shall be eligible investments hereunder;
- (k) Individual equity securities, if the funds being invested will be managed by a professional investment manager that is regulated by a federal regulatory agency. The individual equity securities shall be included within the Standard and Poor's 500 Index, and a single sector shall not exceed 25% of the equity allocation; and
- (l) Individual high-quality corporate bonds managed by a professional investment manager and that:
  - 1. Are issued, assumed, or guaranteed by a solvent institution created and existing under the laws of the United States;
  - 2. Have a standard maturity of no more than ten years; and
  - 3. Are rated in the three highest rating categories by at least two competent credit rating agencies.

The District's current investment policy adopted on August 2, 2021 matches the investments permitted by Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

The District values legality, safety, liquidity, and yield, in that order.

# **Debt Limitation**

Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution provides that taxing districts, including the District, shall not incur indebtedness to an amount exceeding 2% of the value of the taxable property therein, as estimated by the last assessment previous to the incurring of the indebtedness; provided, however, that Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution also provides that nothing shall prevent the issue of any renewal bonds or bonds to fund the floating indebtedness of any city, county, or taxing district. In addition, Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution also grants the Kentucky General Assembly the power, subject to the limits and conditions set forth in Section 158 and elsewhere in the Kentucky Constitution, to establish additional limits on indebtedness and the conditions under which debt may be incurred by cities, counties, and taxing districts.

Section 66.041 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides the same limitations on indebtedness as are set forth in Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution, and further states that the debt limitations apply to "net indebtedness." In calculating "net indebtedness," Section 66.031 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides that certain obligations of a city, county, or taxing district are not to be considered as "indebtedness," including any notes issued in anticipation of bonds, self-supporting obligations, revenue bonds, special assessment debt, and other infrequently-issued types of obligations. For a complete list of all of the District's debt exempt from the calculation of "net indebtedness," see the Statement of Indebtedness attached hereto as Appendix D.

Appendix D to this Official Statement contains a Statement of Indebtedness for the District, certified by the Treasurer of the Board, that calculates the amount of the outstanding obligations of the District (including the Bonds) that are subject to the 2% total direct debt limit. The total principal amount of general obligation debt that could be issued by the District, subject to the 2% debt limitation, is \$266,322,761, and the District's net debt subject to such limit presently outstanding (including the Bonds) is \$63,065,000\*, leaving a balance of approximately \$203,257,761\* borrowing capacity issuable within such limitation.

However, as described under the heading "THE DISTRICT – Tax Base Information – Limitation on Taxation" herein, the District's ability to incur debt in these amounts is also restricted by tax limitations. In the case of general obligation debt, both the debt limitation and tax limitation must be met.

# **Bond Anticipation Notes**

As provided by Section 56.513 and Section 58.150 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, school districts are authorized to issue notes from time to time, including renewal notes, in anticipation of the issuance of any bonds, upon the same terms and conditions as bonds, except bond anticipation notes may be sold by private, negotiated sale in any manner determined or authorized by the board of education of the district. The ability of a school district to retire its bond anticipation notes from the proceeds of the sale of either bonds or renewal notes will ultimately depend upon the marketability of such bonds or renewal notes under the market conditions prevailing at the time of such sale.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

#### General

Legal matters incident to the issuance of the Bonds and with regard to the tax-exempt status thereof are subject to the approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, as Bond Counsel for the Bonds. Upon delivery to the successful bidder therefor, the Bonds will be accompanied by an approving legal opinion dated the date of such delivery, rendered by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP. A draft of the approving legal opinion for the Bonds is set forth in "Appendix E – Form of Approving Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel" hereto.

As Bond Counsel, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP has performed certain functions to assist the District in the preparation of this Official Statement. However, the firm assumes no responsibility for, and will express no opinion regarding the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any other information relating to the District or the Bonds that may be made available by the District or others to the bidders, the holders of the Bonds, or any other persons.

The engagement of the firm as Bond Counsel for the Bonds is limited to (i) the preparation of certain documents contained in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, and (ii) an examination of such transcript of proceedings incident to rendering its approving legal opinion for the Bonds. In its capacity as Bond Counsel, the firm has reviewed the information set forth in this Official Statement under the Sections entitled "THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance," "SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS," "THE DISTRICT – Tax Base Information – Limitation on Taxation," "THE DISTRICT – Debt Limitation," "LEGAL MATTERS – General," and "LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Treatment," which review did not include independent verification of the financial statements and the statistical data included therein, if any.

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<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to adjustment.

## **Transcript and Closing Certificates**

A complete transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, including a no litigation certification and other appropriate closing documents, will be delivered by the District when the Bonds are delivered to the original purchaser thereof. At the time of delivery, the District will also provide the original purchaser of the Bonds with a certification, executed by the Chair or the Treasurer of the Board or the Finance Director of the District, and addressed to such purchaser, relating to the accuracy and completeness of this Official Statement.

# Litigation

To the knowledge of the District, no litigation, administrative action, or other proceeding is pending or threatened directly affecting the Bonds, the security for the Bonds, or the improvements being financed with the proceeds of the Bonds. A no litigation certification to that effect will be delivered to the original purchaser of the Bonds at the time of the delivery of the Bonds.

#### **Tax Treatment**

### **General**

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions in effect as of the date hereof, interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will not be a specific item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals (for a discussion of the corporate alternative minimum tax, see "LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Treatment – Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax" herein). In addition, Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will be exempt from Kentucky income taxation and that the Bonds will be exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.

A copy of the opinion of Bond Counsel to be delivered concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds is set forth in "Appendix E – Form of Approving Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel" hereto.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions, and requirements with respect to the exclusion of interest on certain obligations, including the Bonds, from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District has covenanted to comply with certain restrictions designed to ensure that interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any failure to comply with these covenants could result in the interest on the Bonds being includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, and such inclusion could be required retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel assumes compliance with these covenants. However, Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken) or any events occurring (or not occurring) after the date of issuance of the Bonds may adversely affect the tax status of interest on the Bonds.

Certain requirements and procedures contained or referred to in the Bonds and any other documents related thereto may be changed, and certain actions (including, without limitation, the defeasance of the Bonds) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Bonds or such other documents. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any Bonds or the tax status of the interest thereon if any such change occurs or any such action is taken or omitted upon the advice or approval of bond counsel other than Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that the interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for Kentucky income tax purposes, the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may otherwise affect a Bondholder's federal, state, or local tax liabilities. The nature and extent of these tax consequences may depend upon the particular tax status of the Bondholder or the Bondholder's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinions regarding any tax consequences other than what is set forth in its opinion, and each Bondholder or potential Bondholder is urged to consult with its tax counsel with respect to the effects of the purchasing, holding, or disposing of the Bonds on the tax liabilities of the individual or entity.

Receipt of tax-exempt interest, ownership, or disposition of the Bonds may result in other collateral federal, state, or local tax consequences for certain taxpayers. Such effects may include, without limitation, increasing the federal tax liability of certain foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code; increasing the federal tax liability of certain insurance companies under Section 832 of the Code; increasing the federal tax liability and affecting the status of certain S Corporations subject to Section 1362 and Section 1375 of the Code; increasing the federal tax liability of certain individual recipients of Social Security or the Railroad Retirement benefits under Section 86 of the Code; and limiting the amount of the Earned Income Credit under Section 32 of the Code that might otherwise be available. Ownership of the Bonds may also result in the limitation of interest and certain other deductions for financial institutions and certain taxpayers under Section 265 of the Code. Finally, the residence of a bondholder in a state other than Kentucky or a bondholder being subject to tax in a state other than Kentucky may result in income or other tax liabilities being imposed on such bondholder by such states or their political subdivisions based on the interest or other income from the Bonds.

The District has <u>not</u> designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

## **Original Issue Premium**

"Acquisition Premium" is the excess of the cost of a bond over the stated redemption price of the bond at maturity or, for bonds that have one or more earlier call dates, the amount payable at the next call date. The Bonds that bear an interest rate that is higher than the yield (as shown on the cover page hereof) are initially being offered and sold to the public at an Acquisition Premium (the "Premium Bonds"). For federal income tax purposes, the amount of Acquisition Premium on each bond, the interest on which is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes (each, a "tax-exempt bond"), must be amortized and will reduce the bondholder's adjusted basis in the bond. However, no amount of amortized Acquisition Premium on any tax-exempt bonds may be deducted in determining a bondholder's taxable income for federal income tax purposes. The Acquisition Premium paid on any Premium Bonds or on any of the other Bonds that must be amortized during any period will be based on the "constant yield" method, using the original bondholder's basis in the bonds and compounding semiannually. This amount will be amortized ratably over that semiannual period on a daily basis.

Holders of any Bonds, including any Premium Bonds, purchased at an Acquisition Premium should consult their own tax advisors as to the actual effect of such Acquisition Premium with respect to their own tax situation and as to the treatment of Acquisition Premium for state tax purposes.

## **Original Issue Discount**

The Bonds having a yield that is higher than the interest rate (as shown on the cover page hereof) are being offered and sold to the public at an original issue discount ("OID") from the amounts payable on such Bonds (the "Discount Bonds") at maturity. OID is an amount equal to the excess of the stated redemption price of a bond at maturity (the face amount) over the "issue price" of such bond. The issue price is the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses, brokers, or similar persons acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of bonds of the same maturity are sold in accordance with that initial offering. For federal income tax purposes, OID on each bond will accrue over the term of such bond, and for the Discount Bonds, the amount of such accretion will be based on a single rate of interest, compounded semiannually (the "yield to maturity"). The amount of OID that accrues during each semiannual period will do so ratably over that period on a daily basis. With respect to an initial purchaser of a Discount Bond at its issue price, the portion of OID that accrues during the period such purchaser owns such Discount Bond will be added to the purchaser's tax basis for purposes of determining the gain or loss on such Discount Bond at the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of that Discount Bond and thus, in practical effect, will be treated as stated interest, which is excludable from the gross income of the purchaser for federal income tax purposes.

In addition to the foregoing, the OID that accrues in each year to an owner of a Discount Bond is included in the calculation of the distribution requirements of certain regulated investment companies and may result in some of the collateral federal income tax consequences discussed above. Consequently, owners of any of the Discount Bonds should be aware that the accrual of OID in each year may result in an alternative minimum tax liability, additional distribution requirements, or other collateral federal income tax consequences even though the owner of such Discount Bond has not received any cash attributable to the OID accruing in such year.

Holders of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the treatment of OID and the tax consequences of the purchase of such Discount Bonds other than at the issue price during the initial public offering and as to the treatment of OID for state tax purposes.

## **Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax**

The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 imposes a new corporate alternative minimum tax equal to 15% of the "adjusted financial statement income" of an "applicable corporation," both as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code. Generally, an applicable corporation includes any corporation (as defined for federal income tax purposes, other than S corporations, regulated investment companies, and real estate investment trusts) with an "average annual adjusted financial statement income" of more than \$1,000,000,000 over any preceding period of three tax years (ending with a tax year ending after December 31, 2021). The corporate alternative minimum tax applies for all tax years beginning after December 31, 2022. Under the Inflation Reduction Act, interest on tax-exempt bonds, such as the interest on the Bonds, is included (i) in computing "average annual adjusted financial statement income" for the purposes of determining whether a corporation qualifies as an "applicable corporation," and (ii) in determining an applicable corporation's "adjusted financial statement income" for the purposes of calculating the alternative minimum tax imposed on applicable corporations under Section 55 of the Code, regardless of the issue date of such tax-exempt bonds.

#### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

In accordance with Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), the District will execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Certificate to be dated the date of issuance of the Bonds (the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate"), the form of which is set forth in "Appendix F – Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate" hereto, for the benefit of all parties who may become registered owners or beneficial owners of the Bonds from time to time. Under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, so long as the Bonds remain outstanding, the District will agree to comply with the provisions of the Rule by causing the following information to be provided:

- to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"), or to any successor thereto (i) for purposes of the Rule, through the continuing disclosure service portal provided by the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system, as described in 1934 Act Release No. 59062, or any similar system that is acceptable to the SEC, for each fiscal year of the District, certain annual financial information and operating data of the District (the "Annual Financial Information"), including the audited financial statements of the District, generally consistent with (i) the financial information and operating data of the District set forth under the following headings of Appendix B to the Offering Document: "Assessed Value of Property," "Historical Tax Rates," "Top Ten Taxpayers of the District," "Attendance," and "SEEK Funds," and (ii) the audited financial statements of the District set forth in "Appendix C – Audited Financial Statements of the District for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024" hereto. The Annual Financial Information shall be provided annually, no later than 270 days after the end of the fiscal year ending on the preceding June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, provided, however, that audited financial statements may not be available by such date, but shall be made available immediately upon delivery thereof by the auditors for the District; and
- (ii) to the MSRB, through EMMA, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of the following events with respect to the Bonds:
  - (a) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - (b) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - (c) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (d) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (e) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - (f) Adverse tax opinions, issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or any other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
  - (g) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
  - (h) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers (except for any mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event);
  - (i) Defeasances;
  - (j) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
  - (k) Rating changes;
  - (l) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or other similar event of the District (Note: This event is considered to occur upon the occurrence of any of the following: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or under any other state or federal

law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession of such assets or business, but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District);

- (m) The consummation of any merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action, or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than in accordance with its terms, if material;
- (n) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- (o) Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the District, if material, or an agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the District, any of which affect its security holders, if material; and
- (p) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or any other similar events under the terms of any Financial Obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (iii) in a timely manner, to the MSRB through EMMA, notice of a failure (of which the District has knowledge) of the District to provide the required Annual Financial Information on or before the date specified in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean (a) a debt obligation, (b) a derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (c) a guarantee of either (a) or (b). The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

Any or all of the items listed above may be incorporated by reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the District or related public entities, which are available to the public on the MSRB's Internet website or filed with the SEC.

The Continuing Disclosure Certificate provides bondholders, including the beneficial owners of the Bonds, with certain enforcement rights in the event of failure by the District to comply with the terms thereof; however, a default under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate does not constitute an event of default under the Bond Resolution. The Continuing Disclosure Certificate may also be amended or terminated under certain circumstances in accordance with the Rule as more fully described therein.

For purposes of this transaction with respect to events as set forth in the Rule:

- (a) there are no debt service reserve funds applicable to the Bonds;
- (b) there are no liquidity providers applicable to the Bonds; and
- (c) there is no property securing the repayment of the Bonds.

The Board and Corporation were late in making a required filing under the terms of the Continuing Disclosure Agreements between the Board and the Corporation executed in connection with previous bond issues. The Board has filed a Material Event Notice indicating its failure to file on a timely basis the following information:

(1) Notice of Financial Obligation - The School District entered into an annual renewable lease agreement dated April 1, 2025, with the Kentucky Interlocal School Transportation Association for the purchase of buses. The final maturity of such lease agreement is March 1, 2035.

The Material Event Notice was filed on August 27, 2025.

The District intends to file all future Annual Financial Information within the time requirements specified in the Rule, the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and the District's existing continuing disclosure undertakings relating to other outstanding debt issues, and the District has adopted policies and procedures to ensure the timely filing thereof, which policies and procedures are available to the public upon request.

Financial information regarding the District may be obtained from the Superintendent of the District at 1055 Eaton Drive, Fort Wright, Kentucky 41017.

#### **RATING**

As noted on the cover page of this Official Statement, Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") has assigned an underlying rating of "[\_\_]" and an enhanced rating of "[\_\_]" to the Bonds. Such rating reflects only the view of Moody's. Any explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from Moody's at 7 World Trade Center, 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007, (212) 553-0300. The District furnished Moody's with certain information and materials about the Bonds and themselves. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings upon such information and materials received from issuers and upon investigations, studies, and assumptions by the rating agencies.

There can be no assurance that a rating, when assigned, will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by Moody's if, in its judgment, the circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the marketability and/or market price of the Bonds.

The District presently expects to furnish Moody's with any information and materials that Moody's may request on future general obligation bond issues. However, the District assumes no obligation to furnish any requested information and materials and may issue debt for which a rating is not requested. The failure to furnish any requested information and materials, or the issuance of debt for which a rating is not requested, may result in the suspension or withdrawal of Moody's ratings on the District's outstanding general obligation bonds.

#### **UNDERWRITING**

The Bonds are being purchased for reoffering by [\_\_\_\_] (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter has agreed to purchase the Bonds at an aggregate purchase price of \$[\_\_\_\_] (reflecting the par amount of the Bonds, [plus/less] net original issue [premium/discount] of \$[\_\_\_\_], and less underwriter's discount of \$[\_\_\_\_].) The initial public offering prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement may be changed by the Underwriter, and the Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Bonds into investment trusts) and others at prices lower than the offering prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page hereof.

#### MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

RSA Advisors, LLC, Lexington, Kentucky, has acted as Municipal Advisor (the "Municipal Advisor") to the District in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and will receive a fee, payable from the proceeds of the Bonds, for its services rendered as the Municipal Advisor to the District, contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor has compiled certain data relating to the Bonds contained herein. The Municipal Advisor is not obligated (i) to undertake, and has not undertaken, to make an independent verification of, or (ii) to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained herein. The Municipal Advisor is an independent financial advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading, or distributing securities.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

To the extent any statements contained herein involve matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly stated to be such, such statements are made as such and not as representations of fact or certainty, and no representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. The information contained in this Official Statement has been derived by the District from official records and other sources and is believed by the District to be reliable, but such information, other than any information obtained from the official records of the District, has not been independently confirmed or verified by the District, and the accuracy of any such information is not guaranteed. Neither this Official Statement nor any statement which may have been made, either orally or in writing, by or on behalf of the District is to be construed as a contract with the holders of the Bonds.

This Official Statement has been duly executed and delivered in the name and on behalf of the District by the Chair of the Board of the District.

<b>KENTON</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	(KENTUCKY)	<b>SCHOOL</b>
DISTRICT		,	

By: /s/ Jesica Jehn		
•	Chair	

# APPENDIX A

# KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BONDS

# ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BONDS

Ending June 30         Bond Payments         Principal Portion         Interest Portion         Total Payment         Principal Payment         Interest Payment         Total Payment         Principal Payment         Interest Payment         Total Payment         Principal Payment         Interest Payment         Interest Payment         Total Payment         Principal Payment         Interest Payment	Fiscal Current Restricted Fund		General O	Total Restricted Fund		
2025         \$20,004,000         \$286,636         \$286,636         \$22           2027         \$21,097,665         \$300,000         \$621,563         \$921,563         \$22           2028         \$20,938,581         \$300,000         \$613,538         \$913,538         \$21           2029         \$20,938,615         \$300,000         \$604,988         \$904,988         \$21           2030         \$18,624,395         \$345,000         \$595,549         \$940,549         \$19           2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2039 <th>nding</th> <th></th> <th>Principal</th> <th>Interest</th> <th>Total</th> <th>Bond</th>	nding		Principal	Interest	Total	Bond
2026         \$22,093,074         \$286,636         \$286,636         \$22           2027         \$21,097,665         \$300,000         \$621,563         \$921,563         \$22           2028         \$20,938,581         \$300,000         \$613,538         \$913,538         \$21           2029         \$20,938,615         \$300,000         \$604,988         \$904,988         \$21           2030         \$18,624,395         \$345,000         \$595,549         \$940,549         \$19           2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2039 <th>ine 30</th> <th>Payments</th> <th>Portion</th> <th>Portion</th> <th>Payment</th> <th>Payments</th>	ine 30	Payments	Portion	Portion	Payment	Payments
2027         \$21,097,665         \$300,000         \$621,563         \$921,563         \$22           2028         \$20,938,581         \$300,000         \$613,538         \$913,538         \$21           2029         \$20,938,615         \$300,000         \$604,988         \$904,988         \$21           2030         \$18,624,395         \$345,000         \$595,549         \$940,549         \$19           2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17	2025	\$20,004,000				\$20,004,000
2028         \$20,938,581         \$300,000         \$613,538         \$913,538         \$21           2029         \$20,938,615         \$300,000         \$604,988         \$904,988         \$21           2030         \$18,624,395         \$345,000         \$595,549         \$940,549         \$19           2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$4476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16	2026	\$22,093,074		\$286,636	\$286,636	\$22,379,710
2029         \$20,938,615         \$300,000         \$604,988         \$904,988         \$21           2030         \$18,624,395         \$345,000         \$595,549         \$940,549         \$19           2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16	2027	\$21,097,665	\$300,000	\$621,563	\$921,563	\$22,019,22
2030         \$18,624,395         \$345,000         \$595,549         \$940,549         \$19           2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16           2041         \$11,237,274         \$1,305,000         \$243,028         \$1,548,028         \$12 <td>2028</td> <td>\$20,938,581</td> <td>\$300,000</td> <td>\$613,538</td> <td>\$913,538</td> <td>\$21,852,118</td>	2028	\$20,938,581	\$300,000	\$613,538	\$913,538	\$21,852,118
2031         \$18,011,565         \$480,000         \$583,140         \$1,063,140         \$19           2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16           2041         \$11,238,048         \$1,260,000         \$293,720         \$1,553,720         \$12           2042         \$11,237,274         \$1,305,000         \$243,028         \$1,548,028         \$12	2029	\$20,938,615	\$300,000	\$604,988	\$904,988	\$21,843,603
2032         \$17,381,083         \$630,000         \$565,898         \$1,195,898         \$18           2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16           2041         \$11,238,048         \$1,260,000         \$293,720         \$1,553,720         \$12           2042         \$11,237,274         \$1,305,000         \$243,028         \$1,548,028         \$12           2043         \$6,982,292         \$1,205,000         \$191,573         \$1,396,573         \$8	2030	\$18,624,395	\$345,000	\$595,549	\$940,549	\$19,564,943
2033         \$17,381,001         \$650,000         \$545,413         \$1,195,413         \$18           2034         \$16,949,909         \$660,000         \$523,795         \$1,183,795         \$18           2035         \$16,951,492         \$675,000         \$500,928         \$1,175,928         \$18           2036         \$16,305,956         \$730,000         \$476,158         \$1,206,158         \$17           2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16           2041         \$11,238,048         \$1,260,000         \$293,720         \$1,553,720         \$12           2042         \$11,237,274         \$1,305,000         \$243,028         \$1,548,028         \$12           2043         \$6,982,292         \$1,205,000         \$191,573         \$1,396,573         \$8           2044         \$6,863,292         \$1,285,000         \$140,528         \$1,425,528         \$8	2031	\$18,011,565	\$480,000	\$583,140	\$1,063,140	\$19,074,703
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2037         \$15,972,780         \$830,000         \$447,430         \$1,277,430         \$17           2038         \$15,980,231         \$855,000         \$415,415         \$1,270,415         \$17           2039         \$15,212,873         \$1,050,000         \$379,220         \$1,429,220         \$16           2040         \$15,210,655         \$1,095,000         \$338,465         \$1,433,465         \$16           2041         \$11,238,048         \$1,260,000         \$293,720         \$1,553,720         \$12           2042         \$11,237,274         \$1,305,000         \$243,028         \$1,548,028         \$12           2043         \$6,982,292         \$1,205,000         \$191,573         \$1,396,573         \$8           2044         \$6,863,292         \$1,285,000         \$140,528         \$1,425,528         \$8           2045         \$2,319,743         \$1,330,000         \$86,920         \$1,416,920         \$3	2035	\$16,951,492	\$675,000	\$500,928	\$1,175,928	\$18,127,419
2038       \$15,980,231       \$855,000       \$415,415       \$1,270,415       \$17         2039       \$15,212,873       \$1,050,000       \$379,220       \$1,429,220       \$16         2040       \$15,210,655       \$1,095,000       \$338,465       \$1,433,465       \$16         2041       \$11,238,048       \$1,260,000       \$293,720       \$1,553,720       \$12         2042       \$11,237,274       \$1,305,000       \$243,028       \$1,548,028       \$12         2043       \$6,982,292       \$1,205,000       \$191,573       \$1,396,573       \$8         2044       \$6,863,292       \$1,285,000       \$140,528       \$1,425,528       \$8         2045       \$2,319,743       \$1,330,000       \$86,920       \$1,416,920       \$3	2036	\$16,305,956	\$730,000	\$476,158	\$1,206,158	\$17,512,113
2039       \$15,212,873       \$1,050,000       \$379,220       \$1,429,220       \$16         2040       \$15,210,655       \$1,095,000       \$338,465       \$1,433,465       \$16         2041       \$11,238,048       \$1,260,000       \$293,720       \$1,553,720       \$12         2042       \$11,237,274       \$1,305,000       \$243,028       \$1,548,028       \$12         2043       \$6,982,292       \$1,205,000       \$191,573       \$1,396,573       \$8         2044       \$6,863,292       \$1,285,000       \$140,528       \$1,425,528       \$8         2045       \$2,319,743       \$1,330,000       \$86,920       \$1,416,920       \$3	2037	\$15,972,780	\$830,000	\$447,430	\$1,277,430	\$17,250,210
2040       \$15,210,655       \$1,095,000       \$338,465       \$1,433,465       \$16         2041       \$11,238,048       \$1,260,000       \$293,720       \$1,553,720       \$12         2042       \$11,237,274       \$1,305,000       \$243,028       \$1,548,028       \$12         2043       \$6,982,292       \$1,205,000       \$191,573       \$1,396,573       \$8         2044       \$6,863,292       \$1,285,000       \$140,528       \$1,425,528       \$8         2045       \$2,319,743       \$1,330,000       \$86,920       \$1,416,920       \$3	2038	\$15,980,231	\$855,000	\$415,415	\$1,270,415	\$17,250,640
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2042       \$11,237,274       \$1,305,000       \$243,028       \$1,548,028       \$12         2043       \$6,982,292       \$1,205,000       \$191,573       \$1,396,573       \$8         2044       \$6,863,292       \$1,285,000       \$140,528       \$1,425,528       \$8         2045       \$2,319,743       \$1,330,000       \$86,920       \$1,416,920       \$3	2040	\$15,210,655	\$1,095,000	\$338,465	\$1,433,465	\$16,644,120
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2044       \$6,863,292       \$1,285,000       \$140,528       \$1,425,528       \$8,         2045       \$2,319,743       \$1,330,000       \$86,920       \$1,416,920       \$3,	2042	\$11,237,274	\$1,305,000	\$243,028	\$1,548,028	\$12,785,302
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	2044	\$6,863,292	\$1,285,000	\$140,528	\$1,425,528	\$8,288,820
2046 \$1,455,000 \$29,828 \$1,484,828 \$1	2045	\$2,319,743	\$1,330,000	\$86,920	\$1,416,920	\$3,736,663
	2046		\$1,455,000	\$29,828	\$1,484,828	\$1,484,828
TOTALS: \$327,694,524 \$16,740,000 \$8,483,727 \$25,223,727 \$35.	OTALS:	\$327,694,524	\$16,740,000	\$8,483,727	\$25,223,727	\$352,918,25

# APPENDIX B

# KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

TAX BASE, OPERATING, AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA OF THE DISTRICT

# KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF KENTON, KENTUCKY

# TAX BASE, OPERATING, AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

The Kenton County School District (the "District") is located in Kenton County, Kentucky. Kenton County is located in the Northern Kentucky Area at the confluence of the Ohio River and the Licking River, south of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the Bluegrass Region of Kentucky. Kenton County occupies a total area of 164 square miles, including approximately 160 square miles of land and 4 square miles of water. The elevation in Kenton County ranges from 455 feet (139 m) to 960 feet (293 m) above sea level. Kenton County had an estimated population of 171,823 in 2024.

The Northern Kentucky Area, which covers a total area of 559 square miles, is composed of Boone County, Campbell County, and Kenton County, and is ideally situated along and adjacent to the south bank of the Ohio River, directly south of Cincinnati, Ohio. The Northern Kentucky Area is part of the Cincinnati Metropolitan Statistical Area. The Northern Kentucky Area forms the northern apex of an industrial triangle anchored by Louisville, Kentucky on the southwest and Lexington, Kentucky on the southeast. More than one-third of the population of Kentucky and one-half of the manufacturing jobs in Kentucky are located within the triangle. The interstate highway system places these three metropolitan areas within less than a two hour drive from each other.

The District is operated by a statutory Board of Education (the "Board") organized and existing under and in accordance with Chapter 160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and vested with the responsibility of providing for public education in the District by establishing and operating public schools. The Board consists of five members. The members of the Board are elected for a four-year term on a non-partisan ballot. Terms are staggered so that terms of not more than three members expire at the same time.

## The Economic Framework

In 2024, Kenton County had a labor force of 92,050 people with an unemployment rate of 4.50%. The top five jobs by occupation were as follows: (1) office and administrative support -8,227 (13.55%), (2) executive managers and administrators -6,544 (10.77%), (3) sales -5,250 (8.64%), (4) production workers -4,982 (8.20%), and (5) education, training/library -4,171 (6.87%).

## **Transportation**

The major highways serving the Northern Kentucky Area include Interstates 71, 75, 275, and 471, and U.S. Highways 42/127, 25, and 27. The Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport, located in Boone County, Kentucky, provides commercial airline services to the area and is a major hub for Delta Airlines. The Southern Railway System and CSX Transportation provide main line rail service to the area. Several barge and towing companies provide barge transportation on the Ohio River. The Port of Cincinnati extends 30 miles along both banks of the Ohio River.

# **Power and Fuel**

Electric power is provided to the Northern Kentucky Area by Duke Energy Kentucky, E. ON US/KU, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, and Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc. Natural gas services are provided to major portions of the Northern Kentucky Area by Duke Energy Kentucky.

# TAX BASE INFORMATION

# **Assessed Value of Property**

Fiscal Year	Total	
2021	\$9,894,497,264	
2022	\$10,483,951,651	
2023	\$11,175,585,176	
2024	\$12,320,629,310	
2025	\$13,316,138,047	

Source: Kentucky Department of Education – SEEK Calculation

# **Historical Tax Rates**

Fiscal Year	Real Estate	Tangible	Motor Vehicle
2021	67.100	67.300	63.500
2022	67.100	37.100	63.500
2023	66.600	67.200	63.500
2024	65.900	65.300	63.500
2025	63.500	63.500	63.500

Source: Kentucky Department of Education – SEEK Calculation

# **Top Ten Taxpayers of the District**

The following tables lists the ten largest real property taxpayers of the County as reported by the Kenton County Property Valuation Administrator for the calendar year 2024.

	Real Property
Taxpayer	Assessment (\$)
Fidelity Properties Inc.	128,283,300
ARCP OFC	82,625,000
CPX Rivercenter Dev Corp	66,881,800
LEX 300 Walton LLC	47,579,000
Amberly Legacy LLC et al	43,000,000
Housing Authority of Covington	42,594,700
Crestview Hills Town Center	40,434,500
United Dairy Farmers Inc.	38,114,700
Thoroughbred Health LLC	29,490,300
CPX Rivercenter Dev	28,965,000

	Tangible Property
Taxpayer	Assessment (\$)
Mazak Corporation	57,355,236
Kroger Limited Partnership	26,265,425
Fisher Auto Parts Inc 725	22,743,114
CCBCC Operations LLC	17,516,174
Progress Rail Services Corp	17,001,511
Duro Hilex Poly LLC	15,088,556
BP Products North America	14,358,905
Marathon Petroleum Co LP Cov	14,347,183
Gravity Diagnostics LLC	14,287,160
First American Equipment	13,543,496

# OPERATING AND FINANCIAL DATA

# **Outstanding Bonds**

		Current	Principal	Principal	Approximate	
Bond	Original	Principal	Assigned to	Assigned to	Interest Rate	Final
Series	Principal	Outstanding	Board	Commission	Range	Maturity
2013B	\$12,005,000	\$6,860,000	\$8,101,041	\$3,903,959	2.700% - 3.125%	2033
2013-REF	\$30,545,000	\$0	\$30,545,000	\$0	0.000%	2025
2014-Energy	\$4,170,000	\$2,180,000	\$4,170,000	\$0	3.250% - 4.000%	2034
2015A-REF	\$8,895,000	\$4,105,000	\$8,895,000	\$0	3.000%	2029
2015B-REF	\$14,445,000	\$1,245,000	\$12,227,370	\$2,217,630	3.000%	2026
2015C	\$17,320,000	\$10,475,000	\$16,352,476	\$967,524	3.000% - 3.625%	2035
2016-REF	\$25,190,000	\$16,485,000	\$24,032,839	\$1,157,161	3.000% - 4.000%	2029
2016B	\$19,400,000	\$13,925,000	\$5,250,000	\$14,150,000	3.000% - 3.250%	2036
2017-Energy	\$5,125,000	\$3,945,000	\$5,125,000	\$0	3.000% - 3.375%	2037
2017R-Energy	\$2,280,000	\$755,000	\$2,280,000	\$0	3.000%	2028
2018	\$13,945,000	\$13,760,000	\$588,473	\$13,356,527	3.000% - 4.000%	2038
2020	\$12,850,000	\$12,440,000	\$10,950,194	\$1,899,806	2.250% - 3.000%	2040
2020-REF	\$7,670,000	\$5,890,000	\$7,670,000	\$0	1.500% - 1.750%	2031
2021	\$29,125,000	\$26,830,000	\$29,125,000	\$0	2.000% - 3.000%	2041
2022	\$48,385,000	\$48,205,000	\$46,812,890	\$1,572,110	2.000% - 5.000%	2042
2022B	\$2,490,000	\$2,475,000	\$2,490,000	\$0	3.000% - 4.000%	2042
2023	\$34,950,000	\$34,940,000	\$34,950,000	\$0	4.000%	2043
2024 GO	\$24,985,000	\$24,885,000	\$24,985,000	\$0	4.000%	2039
2025 GO	\$21,440,000	\$21,440,000	\$21,168,236	\$271,764	5.000%	2045
TOTALS:	\$335,215,000	\$250,840,000	\$295,718,519	\$39,496,481		

# **Overlapping Indebtedness**

	Original	Amount of Bonds	Current
Issuer	Principal Amount	Redeemed	Principal Outstanding
County of Kenton	Amount	Redecilled	Outstanding
General Obligation	31,320,000	4,545,000	26,775,000
Court Facility	31,925,000	18,395,000	13,530,000
•		18,393,000	
Housing Facilities Revenue Building Revenue	26,375,000	2,625,000	26,375,000
	3,000,000	, ,	375,000
Refinancing Refunding Revenue	69,130,000	23,540,000	45,590,000
City of Covington	72 445 000	26 775 450	45.660.540
General Obligation	72,445,000	26,775,458	45,669,542
Building Revenue	3,225,000	2,980,000	245,000
Multi-Family Housing	14,950,000	0	14,950,000
Refunding Revenue	17,500,000	0	17,500,000
City of Crestview Hills			
General Obligation	2,565,000	2,200,000	365,000
Building Revenue	7,180,000	5,465,000	1,715,000
City of Edgewood			
General Obligation	7,965,000	5,268,695	2,696,305
City of Ft. Mitchell			
KLC Funding Trust Revenue	50,000,000	0	50,000,000
City of Ft. Wright			
General Obligation	733,361	384,050	349,311
City of Independence			
General Obligation	10,225,000	8,595,000	1,630,000
City of Lakeside Park			
Multiple Purposes Revenue	800,000	666,666	133,334
City of Latonia Lakes	,	ŕ	ŕ
Sewer Revenue	198,000	97,000	101,000
City of Ludlow		,	,,,,,,
General Obligation	2,165,000	732,832	1,432,168
City of Park Hills	_,,	,,	-,,
General Obligation	2,500,000	1,166,667	1,333,333
City of Villa Hills	2,200,000	1,100,007	1,000,000
General Obligation	750,000	470,097	279,903
Special Districts	750,000	470,007	217,703
Kenton County Extension District	1,430,000	190,000	1,240,000
Kenton County Public Library	18,225,000	7,990,000	10,235,000
Planning & Developing Services	2,225,000	1,235,000	990,000
Sanitation District No. 1			
	452,540,000	75,230,000	377,310,000
Kenton County Airport Board	412,847,881	66,353,283	346,494,598
Totals:	1,242,219,242	254,904,748	987,314,494

Source: Kentucky Department of Local Government

# Attendance

School Year	Average Daily Attendance
2020-21	12,772
2021-22	13,275
2022-23	13,275
2023-24	12,949
2024-25	12,930

Source: Kentucky Department of Education

## **SEEK Funds**

Fiscal Year					
2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
\$30,705,528	\$33,148,971	\$32,638,988	\$30,179,915	\$29,818,105	
\$902,141	\$873,778	\$1,155,690	\$418,030	\$1,171,217	
\$1,277,159	\$1,327,457	\$1,327,457	\$1,294,950	\$1,293,028	
	<b>2021</b> \$30,705,528 \$902,141	20212022\$30,705,528\$33,148,971\$902,141\$873,778	202120222023\$30,705,528\$33,148,971\$32,638,988\$902,141\$873,778\$1,155,690	2021202220232024\$30,705,528\$33,148,971\$32,638,988\$30,179,915\$902,141\$873,778\$1,155,690\$418,030	

Source: Kentucky Department of Education

# **DEMOGRAPHIC DATA**

# **Population**

Description	2021	2022	2023	2024
Kenton County	169,698	170,280	171,321	171,823
Northern Kentucky	471,157	473,380	477,040	406,698

Source: Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville

# **Population Projections**

Description	2030	2035	2040
Kenton County	175,691	177,689	178,906
Northern Kentucky	493,046	502,365	509,662

Source: Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville

# **Unemployment Rate (%)**

Year	Kenton County	Northern Kentucky LWA	Kentucky	United States
2020	5.6	5.6	6.5	8.1
2021	4.0	3.8	4.5	5.3
2022	3.4	3.4	4.0	3.6
2023	3.7	3.7	4.2	3.6
2024	4.5	4.6	5.1	4.0

Source: Kentucky Center for Statistics

# APPENDIX C

# KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Financial Statements and Reports Required by the Single Audit Act

# **Kenton County School District**

June 30, 2024



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#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

Members of the Board Kenton County School District Fort Wright, Kentucky

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Kenton County School District (the "District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Kenton County School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the *Kentucky Public School Districts' Audit Contract* and requirements prescribed by the Kentucky State Commission for School District Audits. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue

as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards* and *Kentucky Public School Districts' Audit Contract and Requirements* prescribed by the Kentucky State Committee For School District Audits will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and Kentucky Public School Districts' Audit Contract and Requirements, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

GAAP requires that the Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) on pages 4 through 14, budgetary comparison information on pages 64 through 65, bond and interest redemption funds on page 66, and the pension and other postemployment benefits liability and contributions information on pages 67 through 81 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of

management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. Schedules of School Activity Funds on pages 82 through 85, the combining supplementary information on pages 82 through 85, and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR") Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* on pages 86 through 88, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statement or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the combining supplementary information and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 14, 2024 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Louisville, Kentucky November 14, 2024



As management of the Kenton County School District (the "District"), we offer readers of the District's financial statement this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information found within the body of the audit.

#### **DISTRICT BACKGROUND**

Kenton County Schools served 14,018 enrolled students in Preschool through twelfth grade during the 2024 fiscal year through 19 schools including 3 high schools, a technology academy, 4 middle schools and 11 elementary schools. All students received full day instruction in a variety of academic programs.

The District is committed to providing a world class education ensuring ALL students are transition ready and prepared for the 21st century economy. District goals include a student transition readiness rate of 100% at each grade level and a 96.25% school attendance rate. Fiscal operations focus on providing resources that improve learning in a measurable way over time. Investing in high-quality resources in all areas of District operations provides students with a world class education in safe and inviting learning environments.

The Community Based Accountability System management tool implemented in 2022 continues to grow and identify areas of efficiency and effectiveness in District academic and support operations. Quarterly metrics provide progress in each pillar area to the stakeholders and committees. Collaborative analysis completed each quarter identifies the current status and adjustments that are needed to achieve each pillar's goals and objectives. Every major area of the District is included in this endeavor.

Resource additions including expanded technology for each teacher and student, new classroom resources in reading, literacy and mathematics, professional development for teachers coupled with measurements of student academic progress throughout the year, targeted remediation and social/emotional awareness all contribute to the holistic approach of learning adopted by the District. Academic growth and proficiency is measured each year in several ways. The 2024 school year was another successful year for students and their accomplishments included the following:

- Overall school performance on the 2024 KY Summative Assessment in the second highest category for each aggregate school level, elementary, middle and high
- A high percentage of students performing at or above Proficient and Distinguished and above the state average
- ACT average is above the state in all content areas and the overall composite score
- Four year graduation rate increased by 2.3 % to 97.9% in 2024
- Post-secondary readiness increased 15% over the last two years to reach 95.6%
- Increased student participation in extra and co-curricular activities in 2024

#### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Net Position increased \$26.9 million reflecting an increase in annual tax revenue and earnings on investments.

Total Revenues were \$204 million for the year. General revenues accounted for \$170 million, 83 percent of the total, while program specific revenues, in the form of charges for services and sales, grants, and contributions, accounted for \$34 million or 17 percent of total revenues. The District incurred \$177 million in total expenses.

Governmental Fund Revenues were \$195.5 million with \$149 million accounted for in the General Fund. Local tax revenues increased to \$86.5 million while state SEEK revenues decreased by \$4 million. Federal grant program revenue collections increased \$1.6 million due to collection of expiring Coronavirus Response & Relief grants.

Governmental Fund Expenditures totaled \$218.6 million during 2024 with General Fund expenses comprising \$141 million of that total. All District schools delivered instruction in-person for the entire school year.

The General Fund ended the year with a reserve balance of \$41.7 million which represents 23% of the non-construction budget for the year. \$25.6 million of the \$62.9 million Total Fund Balance is either restricted or committed to capital/construction projects or operating obligations. The Unassigned Fund Balance at the end of the year is \$37.3 million.

District facility activity during 2024 included the final phases on the addition/renovation to Scott High School, safety and security enhancements and building renovation projects for five schools to address student population needs and eliminate temporary classroom facilities. In addition, construction work began on the new Transportation and Operations Support building and site preparation on the central office building project.

School Revenue Bonds were issued in July, 2023 for \$34.95 million to finance the construction of the Support Operations Facility.

#### **OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) district-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**District-wide financial statements.** The District-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. This financial perspective is provided via the Statement of Net position and the Statement of Activities.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Net Position is one indication of financial health and position to support future operations. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating. Other non-financial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school facilities, also contribute to evaluating the District's overall financial position.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, the revenues and expenses reported in this statement for some items will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The District-wide financial statements are divided into two categories, governmental activities and business-type activities. Governmental activities include functions of the District that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues and include instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, student transportation and operation of non-instructional services. Fixed assets and related debt are also supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues. Business-type activities are those that charge a fee to assist in covering the cost of the service. Food Service is the only business—type activity reported in these financial statements.

The district-wide financial statements can be found on pages 15 and 16 of this report.

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. This is a state mandated uniform system and chart of accounts for all Kentucky public school districts utilizing the MUNIS administrative software. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are trust funds established by benefactors to aid in student education, welfare and teacher support. The only proprietary fund is food service operations. All other activities of the District are included in the governmental funds.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 17 through 24 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 25 through 60 of this report.

#### **DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net Position for the periods ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

The following is a summary of net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

	2024	2023
Current assets	\$ 79,316,538	\$ 67,400,708
Noncurrent assets	321,981,026	295,524,354
Total assets	401,297,564	362,925,062
Deferred outflows	33,848,372	41,467,650
Deferred outflows	33,040,372	41,407,030
Current liabilities	31,663,854	30,414,650
Noncurrent liabilities	286,839,097	299,381,452
Total liabilities	318,502,951	329,796,102
Deferred inflows	45,683,386	30,569,077
Net position		
Investment in capital assets (net of debt)	87,686,992	80,338,313
Restricted	20,378,768	12,297,092
Unrestricted	(37,106,161)	(48,607,872)
Total net position	\$ 70,959,599	\$ 44,027,533

Due to state pension plan and OPEB liabilities reflected on the District's balance sheet, Net Position may not be the best indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets plus deferred outflows exceeded liabilities plus deferred inflow of resources by \$70.9 million as of June 30, 2024. Unrestricted Net Position is (\$37.1) million which includes the recognition of the District's proportionate share of the pension and other post-employment benefits (OPEB) liabilities at year end. Without the effect of the pension and OPEB net liabilities, unrestricted net position would be approximately \$43.8 million. See notes 8 and 9 in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

The pension and OPEB liabilities are related to the state pension funds which are legislated and controlled by the state of KY and at this time are not fully funded. Fully funding the state's pension and benefit plans is a recurring agenda item for the KY legislature. Future remedies may include changes to benefit calculations, employee and/or employer contribution rates and investment strategies. The District has always paid its entire employer contribution based on the rates enacted by each pension body.

#### **Capital Assets**

The largest portion of the District's net position resides in its investment in capital assets, which include land, buildings and improvements, vehicles, furniture and equipment, and construction in progress, less any related outstanding debt. These capital assets enable the District to provide high-quality services and facilities to students and the community. However, it's important to note that these assets are not liquid and cannot be converted directly to cash for debt repayment. As a result, the resources required to service this debt must come from other funding sources.

One major capital improvement is the comprehensive renovation at Scott High School. This multi-year project which reached substantial completion in July 2024, has enhanced all areas of the facility, including classroom spaces, the auditorium, gymnasium, and natatorium. As the only high school with a pool facility in Northern Kentucky, the 440-seat natatorium hosts regional and state swimming and diving meets. It also supports community organizations such as police and fire departments, JROTC, and lifeguard training, as well as open swims, increasing its value as a community resource.

The District has also taken steps to improve operational flow and address space needs at RC Hinsdale Elementary. In 2024, the District acquired three properties near the school to address circulation issues and increase parking capacity. These purchases, totaling \$1.6 million, were funded without additional bonds by utilizing investment earnings, a building fund transfer, and surplus funds from a previous project.

Construction also continues on the Support Operations Facility, which will house a bus garage, maintenance workshop, District storage, technology department workspaces, and support department offices. Revenue Bonds totaling \$34.95 million were issued in July 2023 to fund this facility, which is expected to be operational by early 2025.

Another significant project is the new central office building, a ground-up construction scheduled for completion in 2026. The District has leased its current office space from the Sanitation District for 21 years, and this new facility will provide dedicated administrative offices, meeting rooms, a public training room, virtual learning classrooms, and records storage. Revenue Bonds of \$24.99 million were secured to fund this project, reinforcing the District's commitment to operational efficiency and strategic growth.

Due to high demand and supply chain delays, school buses ordered in 2023 were delivered in the 2024 school year. The District added nine new buses through the Kentucky Intermodal School Transportation System ("KISTA") bond program. This order included eight 84-passenger buses, enhancing route efficiency by replacing 72-passenger buses. Additionally, the District added two special needs buses funded through grant support.

#### Debt

As of June 30, 2024, the District had \$224.9 million in outstanding bonds, which are serviced through the Debt Service Fund. The Kentucky School Facility Construction Commission ("KSFCC") contributes to servicing a portion of this debt, totaling \$16.6 million. Further details on debt service can be found in Note 17 of the Financial Statements.

The District also continues to participate in the KISTA bus lease/purchase program, approved by the Board, which provides a cost-effective approach to managing transportation needs. Total KISTA debt outstanding as of June 30, 2024, is \$6.12 million, representing a reduction of over \$1.4 million from the previous year. This debt, which is managed through the General Fund, illustrates the District's commitment to maintaining efficient and sustainable transportation resources.

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 96 on *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements* ("SBITA"), the District has reviewed its technology subscriptions to ensure compliance with proper classification standards. These subscription-based assets and liabilities are presented in the district-wide financial statements, with further details provided in Notes 20 and 21 of the Financial Statements.

Lease obligations have been recorded in accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 87 as the district entered into a four year lease agreement for technology assets in 2024. The right-to-use assets and liabilities are presented in the district-wide financial statements, with further details provided in Notes of the Financial Statements.

The following table presents a summary of revenues and expenses for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

	2024	2023
Revenues		
Program revenues		
Charges for services	\$ 2,694,688	\$ 2,480,611
Operating grants	25,572,871	23,907,150
Capital grants	5,797,002	7,458,431
Total grant revenues	34,064,561	33,846,192
General Revenues		
Taxes	86,536,390	82,478,095
Grants and entitlements	78,306,381	87,266,668
Earnings on investments	4,561,165	2,711,652
Miscellaneous	706,541	2,725,221
Total general revenues	170,110,477	175,181,636
Total revenues	204,175,038	209,027,828
Expenses		
Instructional	97,469,674	98,323,036
Student support services	10,566,719	11,731,506
Staff support	6,488,577	9,885,743
District administration	2,795,187	2,788,237
School administration	10,086,729	11,927,527
Business support	3,578,768	4,234,266
Plant operations	20,841,300	23,732,938
Student transportation	9,322,019	9,370,263
Food service operation	7,229,470	7,067,927
Other	1,358,474	2,346,309
Interest on long-term debt	7,506,055	6,329,038
Total expenses	177,242,972	187,736,790
Change in net position	\$ 26,932,066	\$ 21,291,038

#### **Governmental Activity**

All District activities operated on normal schedules in 2024 and schools delivered instruction in-person for the entire school year while student attendance returned to more normal levels.

Funding from the American Rescue Plan covered increased costs related to increased staffing and instruction to address learning loss experienced in the previous three years.

Governmental Revenues experienced a \$4.1 million increase in property taxes and \$1.7 million increase in interest revenue in 2024. Property tax collections rose due to property value increases in the county. Real estate, franchise and motor vehicle all reflected an increase in tax base. State SEEK revenue decreased \$4.0 million due to the local tax effort adjustment related to the tax base increase and a decrease in funded student attendance. State facilities revenue match decreased by \$2.2 million while the state On-behalf decreased by \$7.2 million compared to 2023. Federal collections from relief funds were also lower as these grants near expiration.

Total expenses reflected a decrease of \$17.8 million and reflects the decrease in On-behalf, federal relief and construction project expenditures. Certified and classified salary schedules increased 2.5% to retain and attract staff. With the increase in revenue and bond proceeds, the 2024 fiscal year ended by adding \$11.7 million to Total Fund Balance from current year activities.

#### **Business-Type Activity**

The only business-type activity of the District is the food service operation. This program experienced revenues of \$8.5 million and expenditures of \$7.6 million during fiscal year 2024. USDA breakfast and lunch meal reimbursement revenue was \$5.9 million in 2024, an increase of \$452,000. Expenditures also increased as some food items were unavailable and were replaced with higher cost items. Certainly food costs continued to be affected by inflation during 2024 which is expected in the 2025 school year. The 2024 fiscal year ended adding \$862 thousand to net position.

The Food Service Program continues to offer students excellent nutrition through a variety of breakfast and lunch meal choices. Meals are prepared and served each school day and several weeks during summer instructional programs. The food service operation is self-operating and funded without assistance from the General Fund. The business activity receives no support from tax revenues.

In accordance with Implementation of Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, Accounting and Reporting for Pensions, and Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, Accounting and Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than OPEBs, food service financial results include provisions for deferred outflows and inflows related to both the state net pension and postemployment benefits other than OPEBs liabilities.

#### The District's Funds

The District's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Fund financial statements are included on pages 17 – 24. The District accounts include eight different funds with the General Fund reflecting the most activity. Total governmental fund revenues, including on-behalf payments, were \$195.5 million with expenditures of \$218.6 million.

Government Fund tax revenues increased by \$4.0 million in 2024 due to increased property and motor vehicle valuations in Kenton County. Both the General and Building Fund reflected this increase. District and Student Activity Funds also experienced increased revenue activity as extra and co-curricular events returned to the weekly school agendas. Federal grant reimbursements increased by \$1.7 million in 2024 accounting for 7% of government collected revenue. State SEEK and grant funding decreased by \$4.0 million comprising 20% of 2024 government fund collected revenue. The District's property tax base remains strong and increased by \$923 million (9.0%) providing a stable source of operating revenue. The distribution of government fund revenues is approximately 51% from state/federal sources and 49% generated from local sources.

Government Fund expenditures totaled \$218.6 million, a decrease of \$17.7 million from 2023. General Fund expenditures decreased \$8.4 million as no new buses were ordered in 2024 and the annual On-behalf payments decreased by \$7.0 million in 2024. Salary and benefit costs increased \$1.9 million reflecting a 2.5% increase in the salary schedules and the experience step rate increase of approximately 1.3%. Salary and benefits cost represent approximately 85% of the General Fund expenditures each year. The District is committed to hiring and retaining the most qualified personnel. The current compensation schedule is competitive with other Northern Kentucky Districts as well as Ohio and Indiana. This has helped attract highly qualified applicants and retain staff who have been trained by the District. Special Revenue expenditures rose \$1.9 million to fund instructional programs and sessions to address student learning loss and social/emotional needs. The majority of this increase occurred in federal grants. Construction expenditures were \$12 million lower as multiple capital improvement projects were in their final year of completion.

The General Fund ended the year with a fund balance at June 30, 2024 of \$41.7 million. This fund receives approximately 94% of annual cash revenue from local taxes and state SEEK revenue which can vary with the local economic environment and state budget issues. The fund balance will be critical in maintaining instructional programs and facilities as state funding priorities could shift given the current status of the state pension funding deficiencies.

The Special Revenue Fund expended and received \$7.9 million from federal Coronavirus Relief Acts. The funds paid for additional instruction programs after school and during the summer months as well as PPE, health supplies and student technology devices. Some of these federal funds will continue to be available through September, 2024.

#### **BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS**

The District's budget is prepared according to Kentucky law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances.

The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund. By law, this fund budget must include a minimum 2% contingency. The Board adopted a 2024 working budget with \$26 million in contingency (20%). The 2024 General Fund budget is included in the Supplementary Information section of this report. It should be noted that state on-behalf revenues and expenditures of \$36.3 million are not budgeted but are included in the actual results column of the report.

For the General Fund, total budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$112 million and actual revenues, excluding on-behalf payments were \$114.4 million. General Fund budgeted expenditures, excluding contingency, were \$117 million while actual expenditures, excluding on-behalf totaled \$108 million. The favorable variances in actual revenue and expenditures resulted in the addition of \$6.4 million to the fund balance at the end of the year.

#### **On-Behalf Payments**

The District recorded on-behalf payments in the General Fund in 2024 totaling \$36.3 million and \$572 thousand in the District Academy Fund as required by KDE. On-behalf payments represent amounts paid on behalf of the Kenton County School District by the Commonwealth of Kentucky for employee health insurance, Teachers' Retirement, post-employment benefits and technology services. These revenues and expenditures are not budgeted but are required to be reflected in the annual financial fund reports as a revenue and expenditure. As a result, it should be noted that large variances between budgeted and actual amounts for the General Fund are the result of this inconsistency.

#### **CURRENT ISSUES**

District operations and schedules were normal during the 2024 school year however the effects of the health emergency remain evident in student achievement, social and emotional areas. Expanded learning opportunities and programs that began in 2022 to address student learning loss have been incorporated into the daily instruction process and will continue as needed. Funding from the American Rescue Plan provided support during the 2024 school year and will shift to other grant or general funding sources over the next two years.

The local economy is active which creates a challenging environment to attract workers. The District experienced staffing shortages in several positions such as substitute teacher, custodian, food service and bus drivers. The state is also experiencing a shortage of classroom teachers since fewer students are entering college teacher preparation programs. Compensation plans, certification alternatives and aggressive recruiting of certified teachers are helping fill vacancies and maintain effective instruction and district operations. Certain measures were passed by the 2024 General Assembly to address the state wide teacher and other personnel shortages experienced by all Ky school districts. The district continues to experience rising utility, food and service costs due to inflation, the same as any other business in the nation. Fortunately, the property tax base continues to provide adequate tax revenue to offset the expected cost increases.

The KY General Assembly raised the SEEK revenue to \$4,326 and \$4,586 per student for 2025 and 2026 respectively and increased funding for student transportation and school resource officers. The District has been providing full day instruction for Kindergarten students since 2019 and added full day Preschool instruction in 2022. The state currently funds Preschool half-day. The SEEK process continues to redistribute revenue via the 30 cent adjustment process so districts in areas of rising property values do not retain the benefit of all local tax revenue increases.

State operating grants provide funding for specialized instructional and safety programs. These include Extended School Services, Preschool, Safe Schools, Read To Achieve, Family Resource Centers, and Ky Education Technology programs. The state revenue projections indicate that these programs will continue to be funded. Federal Title I and IDEA remain steady resources to supplement instruction for special student populations and schools.

Capital improvements to existing school buildings and new construction continue throughout the District and have been primarily funded with lease revenue bonds. The 2024 General Assembly authorized school districts to issue general obligation bonds to fund future construction projects in order to benefit from market interest rates. This option was utilized on the August, 2024 bond issue which was issued at a premium. The District continues to participate in an annual financial review with Moody's rating service to secure a specific district issuer rating.

The financial position of the state's pension plans continues to affect the District's financial obligations. Both the Teachers' Retirement and County Employees Retirement Systems are underfunded at this time. The District has always paid its required contribution as determined by the plans. In accordance with the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements 68 and 75, the District has recorded its proportionate share of certain financial aspects of the pension plans in which its employees participate.

#### CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Questions about this report or additional financial information needs should be directed to Dr. Henry Webb, Superintendent, or Ms. Susan Bentle, Treasurer, at 859-344-8888, or by mail at 1055 Eaton Drive, Fort Wright, Kentucky 41017.



#### KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2024

		overnmental Activities	В	usiness-type Activities		TOTAL
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	30,211,159	\$	4,844,714	\$	35,055,873
Investments		39,847,726				39,847,726
Accounts receivable		3,988,135		91,386		4,079,521
Lease deposit		36,298				36,298
Inventories		139,055		158,065		297,120
SBITA assets, net of amortization		1,150,824				1,150,824
Leased assets, net of depreciation		1,233,257				1,233,257
Land and other nondepreciable assets		33,743,934				33,743,934
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		285,086,776		766,235		285,853,011
Total Assets	\$	395,437,164	\$	5,860,400	\$	401,297,564
Deferred Outflows of Resources						
Deferred savings from refunding bonds	\$	1,294,728			\$	1,294,728
Deferred Outflows from Pension Contributions		10,490,649	\$	1,235,988.00		11,726,637
Deferred Outflows from OPEB Contributions		20,350,608		476,399		20,827,007
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	\$	32,135,985	\$	1,712,387	\$	33,848,372
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$	9,804,488	\$	152.942	\$	9,957,430
Accrued interest payable	Ψ.	2,178,853	Ψ	132,312	Ψ	2,178,853
Accrued liabilities		947,594		4,128		951,722
Unearned revenue		499,817		64,326		564,143
Net pension liability		38,970,390		4,591,414		43,561,804
Net OPEB liability (asset)		24,275,762		(61,064)		24,214,698
Current maturities of		24,273,702		(01,004)		24,214,030
School building revenue bonds		15,470,000				15,470,000
Equipment finance obligations		1,250,781				1,250,781
SBITA liabilities		500,983				500,983
Leased asset liability		789,942				789,942
Long-term maturities of		765,542				765,542
School building revenue bonds		211,707,148				211,707,148
Equipment finance obligations		4,872,525				
Compensated absences		1,404,527		81,012		4,872,525
SBITA liabilities				81,012		1,485,539
Leased asset liability		578,559				578,559
Total Liabilities	<u> </u>	418,824	ċ	4 022 750	\$	418,824
	\$	313,670,193	\$	4,832,758	\$	318,502,951
Deferred Inflows of Resources  Deferred Inflows from Pension Contributions	\$	9,428,503	\$	1,110,848	\$	10,539,351
Deferred Inflows from OPEB Contributions	Ą	33,282,520	Ţ	1,861,515	Ų	35,144,035
Total Deferred Inflows	\$	42,711,023	\$	2,972,363	\$	45,683,386
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Net Position	_	00.020.757	_	766 225	_	07.606.000
Net investment in capital assets	\$	86,920,757	\$	766,235	\$	87,686,992
Nonspendable fund balance - inventories		139,055				139,055
Restricted for		40 425 000				40 405 005
Capital projects and construction		19,435,990				19,435,990
Grants and awards		21,909				21,909
District Activities		424,910				424,910
School Activities		1,355,473		4		1,355,473
Food Service				(998,569)		(998,569)
Unrestricted		(37,106,161)				(37,106,161)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	\$	71,191,933	\$	(232,334)	\$	70,959,599

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

### KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

#### For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Total		Program Revenue	es	Net ( Cha	Expense) Revenue anges in Net Posit	e and ion
	District-wide	Charges for	Operating Grants	Capital Grants	Governmental	Business-type	
	Expenses	Services	and Contributions	and Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total
Functions/Programs							
Governmental activities Instruction	¢ 07.400.674	ć 100.C03	ć 17.207.C70		ć (00.072.202\		¢ (00.072.202)
	\$ 97,469,674	\$ 188,693	\$ 17,207,679		\$ (80,073,302)		\$ (80,073,302)
Support Services:							
Student	10,566,719		2,269,728		(8,296,991)		(8,296,991)
Instructional staff	6,488,577				(6,488,577)		(6,488,577)
District administrative School administrative	2,795,187				(2,795,187)		(2,795,187)
	10,086,729				(10,086,729)		(10,086,729)
Business support services	3,578,768	240.077			(3,578,768)		(3,578,768)
Plant operation and maintenance	20,841,300	249,077			(20,592,223)		(20,592,223)
Transportation	9,322,019	904,053	198,051		(8,417,966)		(8,417,966)
Community services Other instructional	1,256,229	2,261	198,051		(1,055,917)		(1,055,917)
Facilities acquisition & construction	102,245			\$ 5,212,944	(102,245)		(102,245) 5,212,944
·				\$ 5,212,944	5,212,944		
Interest	7,506,055				(7,506,055)		(7,506,055)
Total governmental activities	170,013,502	1,344,084	19,675,458	5,212,944	(143,781,016)		(143,781,016)
Business-type activities							
School food services	7,229,470	1,350,604	5,897,413	584,058		\$ 602,605	602,605
Total business-type activities	7,229,470	1,350,604	5,897,413	584,058		602,605	602,605
Total activities	\$ 177,242,972	\$ 2,694,688	\$ 25,572,871	\$ 5,797,002	\$ (143,781,016)	\$ 602,605	\$ (143,178,411)
			General revenues:				
			Taxes				
			Property taxe	S	\$ 79,550,577		\$ 79,550,577
			Utility taxes		6,985,813		6,985,813
			State and federa	al sources			
			SEEK program		37,764,507		37,764,507
			On behalf rev		36,937,950	\$ 461,259	37,399,209
				venues and grants	3,075,272	67,393	3,142,665
				estment earnings	4,379,276	181,889	4,561,165
				lisposition of capital ass		(1,705)	86,160
			Miscellaneous		620,381	(440.474)	620,381
			Fund Transfer		449,174	(449,174)	
			Total general revenu		169,850,815	259,662	170,110,477
			Change in net position		26,069,799	862,267	26,932,066
			Net position, beginni	ng of year	45,122,134	(1,094,601)	44,027,533
			Net position, end of	year	\$ 71,191,933	\$ (232,334)	\$ 70,959,599
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# KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2024

	General Fund		Special Revenue Fund	Construction Fund		Total Nonmajor Gov't Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,688,7		\$ -	\$ 15,057,623	\$	3,464,738	\$	30,211,159
Investments	29,862,0			9,985,663				39,847,726
Inventory	139,0	55						139,055
Lease Deposit	36,2	98						36,298
Accounts and grants receivable	1,853,6	45	2,130,202			4,289		3,988,136
Total Assets	\$ 43,579,8	59	\$ 2,130,202	\$ 25,043,286	\$	3,469,027	\$	74,222,374
Liabilities								
Accounts Payable	\$ 847,1	61	\$ 1,661,389	\$ 6,185,026	\$	1,110,913	\$	9,804,489
Accrued Liabilities	947,5		, ,	, , ,	·	, ,		947,594
Unearned Revenue	31,0		468,813					499,817
Total Liabilities	1,825,7	59	2,130,202	6,185,026		1,110,913		11,251,900
Fund Balances								
NonSpendable	139,0	55						139,055
Restricted	21,9	09		18,858,260		1,933,203		20,813,372
Committed	1,457,9	05				424,911		1,882,816
Assigned	2,791,0	99						2,791,099
Unassigned	37,344,1	32						37,344,132
Total Fund Balances	41,754,1	00		18,858,260		2,358,114		62,970,474
Total Liabilities and Fund								
Balances	\$ 43,579,8	59	\$ 2,130,202	\$ 25,043,286	\$	3,469,027	\$	74,222,374

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

# KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2024

#### **Total Governmental Fund Balances**

\$ 62,970,474

71,191,933

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental fund balance sheet.	318,901,992
Deferred savings from refunding bonds are not financial resources	
and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental funds	
balance sheet.	1,294,728
Deferred outflows and inflows from pension are not financial resources	
and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental funds	
balance sheet.	1,062,146
Deferred outflows and inflows from OPEB are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental funds	
balance sheet.	(12,931,912)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the government funds balance sheet. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:	
	(
Bonds & Equipment Finance Payable	(233,275,962)
Accrued Interest - Bonds Payable	(2,178,854)
Compensated Absences	(1,404,527)
Net OPER Liability	(38,970,390)
Net OPEB Liability	(24,275,762)
	(300,103,493)

**Net Position of Governmental Activities** 

### KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	C	Construction Fund	Total Nonmajor Gov't Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Revenues	·	_					·	
Local sources								
Property taxes	\$	53,155,926				\$ 18,480,945	\$	71,636,871
Motor Vehicle taxes		7,913,706						7,913,706
Utilities taxes		6,985,813						6,985,813
Tuition and fees		188,693						188,693
Transportation Revenue		904,053						904,053
Other local revenues		965,351				2,145,028		3,110,379
Grants from local agencies and donors			\$ 70,697			158,424		229,121
State sources								
SEEK program		37,764,507				1,294,950		39,059,457
FSPK program						1,254,090		1,254,090
KSFCC allocation						2,663,904		2,663,904
Other state revenues		37,353,211	4,751,245			572,670		42,677,126
Federal sources		616,063	13,927,712					14,543,775
Interest Income on Investments		3,002,618		\$	1,323,665	52,992		4,379,275
Total Revenues		148,849,941	18,749,654		1,323,665	26,623,003		195,546,263
Expenditures								
Instruction		82,362,675	13,787,244			4,953,619		101,103,538
Student support services		10,909,613	656,495			419		11,566,527
Instructional staff support services		4,644,410	2,381,345			11,311		7,037,066
District administrative support services		2,924,314	43,357					2,967,671
School administrative support services		10,878,778				382,042		11,260,820
Business support services		3,920,543						3,920,543
Plant operations and maintenance		15,561,013	219,210			52,061		15,832,284
Transportation		8,207,759	437,094			2,110		8,646,963
Community services		50	1,282,441					1,282,491
Educational Specific			102,245					102,245
Building renovations					30,879,372			30,879,372

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## KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Special		Total	Total
	General	Revenue	Construction	Nonmajor	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Gov't Funds	Funds
Expenditures (Continued)					
Debt Service					
Principal	1,409,665			15,750,000	17,159,665
Interest	205,084			6,557,495	6,762,579
Bond issuance costs			135,850		135,850
Total Expenditures	141,023,904	18,909,431	31,015,222	27,709,057	218,657,614
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures	7,826,037	(159,777)	(29,691,557)	(1,086,054)	(23,111,351)
Other financing sources (uses)					
Proceeds of revenue bond sales			34,950,000		34,950,000
Discount on bonds sold			(620,835)		(620,835)
Proceeds from sale of assets	87,865				87,865
Proceeds from capital equipment financing					-
Transfers in	1,847,565	263,217	1,195,715	22,152,115	25,458,612
Transfers out	(3,368,628)	(103,440)		(21,537,370)	(25,009,438)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(1,433,198)	159,777	35,524,880	614,745	34,866,204
Net change in fund balances	6,392,839	-	5,833,323	(471,309)	11,754,853
Fund balances, beginning of year	35,361,261		13,024,937	2,829,423	51,215,621
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 41,754,100	\$ -	\$ 18,858,260	\$ 2,358,114	\$ 62,970,474

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# KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

capital outlays are reported as expenditures in this fund financial statement because they use current financial resources, but they are presented as assets in the statement of activities and depreciated over their estimated economic lives. The difference is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeds	
financial resources, but they are presented as assets in the statement of activities and depreciated over	
their estimated economic lives. The difference is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeds	
capital outlays for the year as well as differences in gains and losses on capital asset sales	24,759,44
Bond proceeds are recorded as revenues in the fund financial statements but are additions to liabilities in the statement of net position.	(34,950,00
additions to habilities in the statement of flet position.	(34,330,00
Capital lease payments and bond payments are recognized as expenditures of current financial resources in the fund financial statement but are reductions of liabilities in the statement of net position.	17,159,66
Accrued bond interest payable is not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements but is recorded in the statement of net position	(206.0)
statements but is recorded in the statement of het position	(396,0
Bond premiums are not reported as a part of long-term debt in the fund financial statements but are recorded in the statement of net position	956,2
Capitalized savings from bond refunding's are not reported in the fund financial statements but must be amortized over the remaining life of the bonds in the statement of activities.	(634,5
Net Pension Liability is not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements but is recorded in the statement of net position	3,427,1
but is recorded in the statement of het position	5,427,1
Net OPEB Liability is not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements but is recorded in the statement of net position	4,387,5
Accrued Interest is recorded as a liability on the district-wide financial statements	
but is recorded in the statement of net position	(91,5
SBITA assets are reported as expenditures in the fund financial statements	
but are presented as assets and liabilities in the statement of activities and amortized over time.	(227,5
Leased assets are reported as expenditures in the fund financial statements but are presented as assets and liabilities in the statement of activities and amortized over time.	24,4
Noncurrent accrued sick leave is not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements but is recorded in the statement of net position	 (99,9



## KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION -PROPRIETARY FUNDS June 30, 2024

	Food Service	
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,844,714
Accounts Receivable		91,386
Inventories		158,065
Total Current Assets		5,094,165
Noncurrent Assets		
Capital assets		2,947,385
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(2,181,150)
Total Noncurrent Assets		766,235
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pension Contributions		1,235,988
OPEB Contributions		476,399
Total Deferred Outflows		1,712,387
Total Assets	\$	7,572,787
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$	152,942
Unearned Revenue	Ş	64,326
Accrued Payroll		4,128
Long-term maturities of		4,120
compensated absences		81,012
Net pension Liability		4,591,414
Net OPEB Liability (asset)		(61,064)
Total Liabilities		4,832,758
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred Inflows from pension Contributions		1,110,848
Deferred Inflows from OPEB Contributions		1,861,515
Deferred filliows from OPEB Contributions		1,001,313
Total Deferred Inflows		2,972,363
Net Position		766 225
Net investment in capital assets		766,235
Restricted		(998,569)
Total Net Position		(232,334)
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Net Position</b>	\$	7,572,787

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

#### **KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

# Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Food Service
Operating revenues	
Lunchroom sales	\$ 1,231,230
Other operating revenues	119,374
Total operating revenues	1,350,604
Operating expenses	
Salaries and wages	2,964,240
Contract Services	187,093
Materials and supplies	3,983,512
Depreciation	88,246
Other Expenses	455,554
Total operating expenses	7,678,645
Operating loss	(6,328,041
Non-operating revenues (expenses)	
Federal grants	5,908,189
Donated commodities	584,058
On-behalf revenues	461,259
State grants	56,617
Investment income	181,890
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	(1,705)
Total non-operating revenues	7,190,308
Change in Net Position	862,267
Net Position, beginning of year	(1,094,601
Net Position, end of year	\$ (232,334)

#### KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Fund Proprietary Fund

### For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash Received From:		
Lunchroom Sales	\$	1,231,230
Other Activities		119,374
Cash Paid To/For:		
Employees		(2,983,537)
Supplies		(3,913,298)
Net cash used by operating activities		(5,546,231)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activity		
Purchases of capital assets		(350,788)
Cash Flows from Investing Activity		
Investment income		181,890
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activity		
Cash received from non-operating revenues		5,849,006
Net increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		133,877
Balances - beginning of year		4,710,837
Balances - end of year	\$	4,844,714
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used		
by Operating Activities		
Operating Loss	\$	(6,328,041)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash	·	, , ,
Used by Operating Activities:		
Commodities Used		584,058
On-behalf payments		461,259
Depreciation		88,246
Change in Assets and Liabilities:		
Inventory		(17,642)
Accounts payable		146,445
Accrued Payroll		(88)
Accrued sick leave		12,600
Pension Deferrals and Net Liability		(264,750)
OPEB Deferrals and Net Liability		(228,318)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$	(5,546,231)
SCHEDULE OF NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS		<b>5</b> 0.05-
Donated commodities received from federal government	\$	584,058
On-behalf payments	\$	461,259



#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Reporting Entity**

The Kenton County Board of Education (the "Board"), a five member group, is the level of government which has oversight responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the Kenton County School District ("District"). The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the commitment requirements of these funding source entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined in Section 2100, Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards. Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to develop policies which may influence operations, and primary accountability for fiscal matters.

The District, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of the Kenton County Board of Education. The financial statements presented herein do not include funds of groups and organizations, which although associated with the school system, have not originated within the Board itself such as Parent-Teacher Associations, etc.

The financial statements of the District include those of separately administered organizations that are controlled by or dependent on the Board. Control or dependence is determined on the basis of budget adoption, funding and appointment of the respective governing board.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the financial statements of the following organization are included in the accompanying financial statements:

Kenton County School District Finance Corporation - The Board authorized the establishment of the Kenton County School District Finance Corporation (a non-profit, non-stock, public and charitable corporation organized under the School Bond Act and KRS 273 and KRS 58.180) as an agency of the District for financing the costs of school building facilities. The Board Members of the Kenton County Board of Education also comprise the Corporation's Board of Directors.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

District-wide Financial Statements – The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

The district-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the district-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

## Kenton County School District Notes to Financial Statements--Continued Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The district-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the District and for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements – Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets and current liabilities, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the changes in total net position. Proprietary funds and fiduciary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

The District has the following funds:

#### i. <u>Governmental Fund Types</u>

- a) The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the District. It accounts for financial resources used for general types of operations. This is a budgeted fund and any unrestricted fund balances are considered as resources available for use. This is a major fund of the District.
- b) The Special Revenue Fund accounts for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to disbursements for specified purposes. It includes federal financial programs where unused balances are returned to the grantor at the close of specified project periods as well as the state grant programs. Project accounting is employed to maintain integrity for the various sources of funds. The separate projects of federally funded grant programs are identified in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards included in this report on pages 86-88. This is a major fund of the District.
- c) Special Revenue Activity Fund is used to support co-curricular activities and are not raised and expended by student groups. District activity funds accounted for in the District bank account are not subject to the Redbook and may be expended with more flexibility than

## Kenton County School District Notes to Financial Statements--Continued Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

school activity funds but must meet the "educational purpose" standard for all District expenditures.

- d) Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and equipment (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds).
  - 1. The Support Education Excellence in Kentucky ("SEEK") Capital Outlay Fund receives those funds designated by the state as Capital Outlay funds and is restricted for use in financing projects identified in the District's facility plan.
  - 2. The Facility Support Program of Kentucky Fund ("FSPK") accounts for funds generated by the building tax levy required to participate in the School Facilities Construction Commission's construction funding and state matching funds, where applicable. Funds may be used for projects identified in the District's facility plan.
  - 3. The Construction Fund accounts for proceeds from sales of bonds and other revenues to be used for authorized construction. The District is committed to construction contracts in the amount of \$43,472,189 for ongoing projects. This is a major fund of the District.
- e) The Activity Funds account for activities of student groups and other types of activities requiring clearing accounts. These funds are accounted for in accordance with Uniform Program of Accounting for School Activity Funds.

#### ii. <u>Debt Service Fund</u>

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest and related cost; and, for the payment of interest on general obligation notes payable, as required by Kentucky Law.

#### iii. Proprietary Fund (Enterprise Fund)

The School Food Service Fund is used to account for school food service activities, including the National School Lunch Program, which is conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture ("USDA"). The Food Service fund is a major fund of the District.

The District applies all Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") pronouncements to proprietary funds as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989 unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The District's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The GASB is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local government through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations).

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. District-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues – Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions – Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenues are recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of the fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenues from nonexchange transactions must also be available before they can be recognized.

Unearned Revenue – Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as unearned revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures – On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Taxes

Property Tax Revenues – Property taxes are levied each September on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, for all real and personal property in the county. The billings are considered due upon receipt by the taxpayer; however, the actual date is based on a period ending 30 days after the tax bill mailing. Property taxes collected are recorded as revenues in the fiscal year for which they were levied. All taxes collected are initially deposited into the General Fund and then transferred to the appropriate fund.

### **Budgetary Process**

Budgetary Basis of Accounting: The District's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a basis other than GAAP of the United States of America. The major differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis are:

Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual ("GAAP").

Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual ("GAAP").

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District considers demand deposits, money market funds, and other investments with an original maturity of 90 days or less, to be cash equivalents.

#### Fair Value Measurements

GAAP has established a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based on transparency of valuation inputs as of the measurement date. The hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels are defined as follows: Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets; Level 2 inputs are observable quoted prices for similar assets in active markets; Level 3 inputs are unobservable and reflect management's best estimate of what market participants would use as fair value.

In February 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. This Statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This Statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Inventories

Supplies and materials are charged to expenditures when purchased, except for inventories in the Proprietary Fund, which are capitalized at the lower of cost or market.

#### **Capital Assets**

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the district-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets utilized by the proprietary funds are reported both in the business-type activities column of the district-wide statement of net position and in the respective funds.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of one thousand dollars, with the exception of computers, digital cameras and real property, for which there is no threshold. The District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives for both general capital assets and proprietary fund assets:

	Governmental Activities
<u>Description</u>	<b>Estimated Lives</b>
Buildings and improvements	25-50 years
Land improvements	20 years
Technology equipment	5 years
Vehicles	5-10 years
General equipment	10 years
Food service equipment	10-12 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Other	10 years

### **Accumulated Unpaid Sick Leave Benefits**

Upon retirement from the school system, an employee will receive from the District an amount equal to 30% of the value of accumulated sick leave. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination payment method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is based on the District's experience

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

of making termination payments. The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the districtwide financial statements.

#### **Interfund Balances**

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the statements of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances.

#### Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the district-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, claims and judgments, the noncurrent portion of finance leases, accumulated sick leave, contractually required pension contributions and special termination benefits that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. In general, payments made within sixty days after year-end are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

#### **Fund Balance Reserves**

Beginning with fiscal year 2012 the District implemented GASB Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on the District's fund balance more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact;

<u>Restricted fund balance</u> – amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Committed fund balance</u> – amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the action to remove or change the constraint.

<u>Assigned fund balance</u> – amounts the District intends to use for specific purpose (such as encumbrances); intent can be expressed by the District or by an official or body to which the District delegates the authority.

<u>Unassigned fund balance</u> – amounts that are available for purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the General fund.

It is the Board's practice to liquidate funds when conditions have been met releasing these funds from legal, contractual, Board or managerial obligations, using restricted funds first, followed by committed funds, assigned funds, then unassigned funds.

Encumbrances are not liabilities and are not recorded as expenditures until receipt of material or service. Encumbrances remaining open at the end of the fiscal year are automatically re-budgeted in the following fiscal year. Encumbrances are considered a managerial assignment of fund balance in the governmental funds balance sheet.

#### **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

#### **Operating Revenues and Expenses**

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the District, those revenues are primarily charges for meals provided by the various schools.

#### **Interfund Activity**

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and as non-operating revenues/expenses in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous ("CERS") and Teachers Retirement System of the State of Kentucky ("TRS") and additions to/deductions from fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pensions. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the District's OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky ("TRS") and additions to deductions from TRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TRS. For this purpose, benefits payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value, except for money market investments and participating interest-earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at cost.

#### Leases

The District adopted GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The District is a lessee for various noncancellable leases of equipment and vehicles.

### **Short-Term Leases**

For leases with a maximum possible term of 12 months or less at commencement, the District recognizes expense/expenditure based on the provisions of the lease contract.

#### **Leases Other than Short-Term**

For all other leases, the District recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset in the applicable columns of the District-wide (governmental or business-type activities) and proprietary fund financial statements.

#### Measurement of Lease Amounts

At lease commencement, the District initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, less lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus any initial direct costs ancillary to placing the underlying asset into service, less any lease

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

incentives received at or before the lease commencement date. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized into depreciation and amortization expense on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset. If the District is reasonably certain of exercising a purchase option contained in a lease, the lease asset will be amortized over the useful life of the underlying asset.

#### **Key Estimates and Judgements**

Key estimates and judgements include how the District determines (1) the discount rate it uses to calculate the present value of the expected lease payments, (2) lease term, and (3) lease payments.

- The District generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases unless the rate that the lessor charges is known.
- The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease plus any additional periods covered by either the District or lessor option to (1) extend for which it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or (2) terminate for which it is reasonably certain not to be exercised. Period in which both the District and the lessor have a unilateral option to terminate (or if both parties have to agree to extend) are excluded from the lease term.
- Payments are evaluated by the District to determine if they should be included in the measurement
  of the lease liability, including those payments that require a determination of whether they are
  reasonably certain of being made.

#### Remeasurement of Lease Amounts

The District monitors changes in circumstances that may require measurement of a lease. When certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability, the liability is remeasured, and a corresponding adjustment is made to the lease asset.

#### <u>Presentation in Statement of Net Position</u>

Lease assets are reported with capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt in the statement in the statement of net position.

#### NOTE 2 ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, designated fund balances, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the general purpose financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### NOTE 3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, exceed federally insured limits. The amounts exceeding the federally insured limits are covered by a collateral agreement and the collateral is held by the pledging banks' trust departments in the District's name. The District has not experienced any losses in such accounts and the District believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

#### NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

	Jı	Balance une 30, 2023		Additions	D	oispositions	Jui	Balance ne 30, 2024
Governmental activities								
Land	\$	10,482,466	\$	1,609,733			\$	12,092,199
Land improvements		7,129,836		81,458				7,211,294
<b>Buildings &amp; building improvements</b>		335,663,849		76,308,951	\$	91,167	4	111,881,633
Technology equipment		14,454,292		1,266,627		1,542,183		14,178,736
Vehicles		14,457,379		2,022,318		650,162		15,829,535
General equipment		4,548,187		2,046,668		97,420		6,497,435
Construction in progress		67,707,409		29,972,833		76,028,507		21,651,735
Total assets at historical cost		454,443,418		113,308,588		78,409,439		189,342,567
Less: Accumulated depreciation								
Land improvements		3,619,165		236,067				3,855,232
Buildings & building improvements		139,339,380		8,476,084		51,746	1	147,763,718
Technology equipment		7,958,895		1,796,474		1,448,758		8,306,611
Vehicles		6,804,584		1,522,676		650,162		7,677,098
General equipment		2,650,126		337,681		78,609		2,909,198
Total Accumulated depreciation		160,372,150		12,368,982		2,229,275	_	170,511,857
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Government activities capital assets - net	\$	294,071,268	\$	100,939,606	\$	76,180,164	\$ 3	318,830,710
		Balance						Balance
	Ju	une 30, 2023		Additions	D	ispositions	Jui	ne 30, 2024
Business-Type activities								
General equipment	\$	2,745,914	\$	350,788	\$	238,255	\$	2,858,447
Vehicles		59,923						59,923
Technology equipment		35,921			_	6,906		29,015
Total assets at historical cost		2,841,758		350,788		245,161		2,947,385
Accumulated depreciation								
Food service equipment		2,274,981		74,191		236,667		2,112,505
Vehicles		54,049		5,874		-		59,923
Technology equipment		7,330		8,181		6,789		8,722
Total accumulated depreciation		2,336,360	-	88,246		243,456		2,181,150
Business-type activities capital assets - net	\$	505,398	\$	262,542	\$	1,705	\$	766,235

### NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Depreciation expense by function for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

	Governmental		Busir	ness-Type
Instruction	\$	3,625,170	\$	-
Student Support Services		10,233		-
Instructional staff support services		14,304		-
District administration support services		47,353		-
School Admin Support		23,286		-
Business support services		38,537		-
Plant operation and maintenance		7,086,895		-
Food service		-		88,246
Transportation		1,523,168		-
Community services		36		-
	\$	12,368,982	\$	88,246

#### NOTE 5 ACCRUED SICK LEAVE BENEFITS

In accordance with GAAP, the District has recorded accrued sick leave as a liability in the District-wide statement of net position since the majority of these liabilities are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. Accrued sick leave, which has no maximum accumulation, is payable upon retirement at 30% of the value of accumulated sick leave.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination payment method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is based on the District's past experience of making termination payments.

#### NOTE 6 LEASE LIABILITIES

#### KISTA Finance Lease

The District is financing the acquisition of buses through various Kentucky Interlocal School Transportation Association ("KISTA") agreements. The obligations under the leases expire between 2025 and 2033. The assets and liabilities under KISTA liabilities are recorded at the lower of the present value of the minimum lease payments or the fair value of the asset. The assets are depreciated over the lower of their related lease terms or their estimated productive lives. Depreciation of assets under KISTA liabilities is included in depreciation expense.

### NOTE 6 LEASE LIABILITIES (Continued)

Future minimum lease payments under KISTA liabilities as of June 30, 2024, for each of the next five years and in the aggregate are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	
2024-2025	\$ 1,424,773
2025-2026	1,253,245
2026-2027	1,084,194
2027-2028	890,120
2028-2029	728,913
Thereafter	 1,398,643
Total minimum payments	6,779,888
Lees amount representing interest	 656,582
Present value of net minimum lability payments	\$ 6,123,306

### **Equipment Lease**

Year Ending June 30,

Beginning on July 1, 2023, the District entered into a long-term lease for Chromebooks. In accordance with GASB 87, the assets have been reflected in the financial statements as right-to-use assets along with the associated liability. The assets and liabilities are recorded at the lower of the present value of the minimum lease payments or the fair value of the asset. The assets are amortized over the lower of their related lease terms or their estimated productive lives. Amortization of the assets under lease is included in Instruction expenditures.

Future minimum lease payments under the equipment lease as of June 30, 2024, for each of the next three years and in the aggregate are as follows:

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2024-2025	\$ 435,577
2025-2026	435,577
2026-2027	 435,577
Total minimum payments	1,306,731
Lees amount representing interest	97,965
Present value of net minimum lability payments	\$ 1,208,766

#### NOTE 7 LEASE OBLIGATIONS AND BONDED DEBT

The amount shown in the accompanying financial statements as lease obligations represents the District's future obligations to make lease payments relating to the bonds issued.

The original amount of each issue, the issue date, and interest rates are summarized below:

Issue Date	Proceeds	Rates
March 7, 2013	30,545,000	2.000% - 3.000%
May 16, 2013	12,005,000	2.000% - 3.125%
March 5, 2014	4,170,000	1.000% - 4.000%
April 1, 2015	14,445,000	2.000% - 3.000%
April 10, 2015	8,895,000	2.000% - 3.000%
May 28, 2015	17,320,000	3.000% - 3.625%
March 9, 2016	25,190,000	2.000% - 4.000%
April 19, 2016	19,400,000	2.000% - 3.250%
June 5, 2017	5,125,000	2.000% - 3.550%
November 7, 2017	2,280,000	3.00%
April 18, 2018	13,945,000	2.000% - 4.000%
May 7, 2020	12,850,000	1.500% - 3.000%
September 30, 2020	7,670,000	1.500% - 1.750%
November 29, 2021	29,125,000	2.000% - 3.000%
- February 2, 2022	48,385,000	2.000% - 5.000%
July 14, 2022	2,490,000	2.500% - 4.000%
August 2, 2023	34,950,000	4.00%

The District, through the General Fund (including utility taxes and the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky ("SEEK") Capital Outlay Fund) is obligated to make lease payments in amounts sufficient to satisfy debt service requirements on bonds issued by the Kenton County Fiscal Court and the Kenton County School District Finance Corporation to construct school facilities.

The District entered into "participation agreements" with the School Facility Construction Commission (the "Commission"). The Commission was created by the Kentucky General Assembly for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting school construction needs. Note 17 sets forth the amount to be paid by the District and the Commission for each year until maturity of all bond issues. The liability for the total bond amount remains with the District and, as such, the total principal has been recorded in the financial statements.

All issues may be called prior to maturity and redemption premiums are specified in each issue. Assuming no bonds are called prior to scheduled maturity, the minimum obligations of the District, including amounts to be paid by the Commission, at June 30, 2024 for debt service (principal and interest) are reported in Note 16.

#### NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS

The District's employees are provided with two pension plans, based on each position's college degree requirement. The County Employees Retirement System ("CERS") covers employees whose position does not require a college degree or teaching certification. The Kentucky Teachers Retirement System ("TRS") covers positions requiring teaching certification or otherwise requiring a college degree.

### General information about the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous

#### Plan description

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky Retirement System, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statute ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS. That report may be obtained from http://kyret.ky.gov/.

#### Benefits provided

CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the plan after five years' service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date:

Tier 1	Participation date	Before September 1, 2008
	Unreduced retirement	27 years service or 65 years old
	Reduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 55 years old
		At least 25 years service and any age
Tier 2	Participation date	September 1, 2008 - December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old
		Or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	At least 10 years service and 60 years old
Tier 3	Participation date	After December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old
		Or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	Not available

#### **NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS** (Continued)

Cost of living adjustments are provided at the discretion of the General Assembly. Retirement is based on a factor of the number of years' service and hire date multiplied by the average of the highest five years' earnings. Reduced benefits are based on factors of both of these components. Participating employees become eligible to receive the health insurance benefit after at least 180 months of service. Death benefits are provided for both death after retirement and death prior to retirement. Death benefits after retirement are \$5,000 in lump sum. One month's service is required for death benefits prior to retirement and the employee must have suffered a duty-related death. The decedent's beneficiary will receive the higher of the normal death benefit and \$10,000 plus 75% of the decedent's monthly average rate of pay. If the surviving spouse remarries, the monthly rate will be recalculated to 25% of the decedent's monthly average. Any dependent child will receive 50% of the decedent's monthly final rate of pay up to 75% for all dependent children. Five years' service is required for nonservice-related disability benefits.

#### **Contributions**

Required contributions by the employee are based on the following tier:

	Required Contributions
Tier 1	5%
Tier 2	5% + 1% for insurance
Tier 3	5% + 1% for insurance

The contribution requirement for CERS for the year ended June 30, 2024, was \$5,899,616, which consisted of \$4,765,617 from the District and \$1,133,999 from the employees. Total contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 were \$5,808,422 and \$5,131,621, respectively. The contributions have been contributed in full for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022.

#### General information about the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky

#### Plan description

Teaching certified employees of the District and other employees whose positions require at least a college degree are provided pensions through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation established to provide retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the Commonwealth. TRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the KRS. TRS is a blended component unit of the Commonwealth of Kentucky Revised Statues and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <a href="https://trs.ky.gov/employers/information/gasb-65-67/">https://trs.ky.gov/employers/information/gasb-65-67/</a>.

#### **NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS** (Continued)

#### Benefits provided

For employees who have established an account in a retirement system administered by the Commonwealth prior to July 1, 2008, employees become vested when they complete five (5) years of credited service. To qualify for monthly retirement benefits, payable for life, employees must either:

- 1.) Attain age fifty-five (55) and complete five (5) years of Kentucky service, or
- 2.) Complete 27 years of Kentucky service.

Employees that retire before age 60 with less than 27 years of service receive reduced retirement benefits. Non-university employees with an account established prior to July 1, 2002 receive monthly payments equal to two (2) percent (service prior to July 1, 1983) and two and one-half (2.5) percent (service after July 1, 1983) of their final average salaries for each year of credited service. New employees (including second retirement accounts) after July 1, 2002 will receive monthly benefits equal to 2% of their final average salary for each year of service if, upon retirement, their total service less than ten years. New employees after July 1, 2002 who retire with ten or more years of total service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.5% of their final average salary for each year of service, including the first ten years. In addition, employees who retire July 1, 2004 and later with more than 30 years of service will have their multiplier increased for all years over 30 from 2.5% to 3.0% to be used in their benefit calculation. New employees hired after July 1, 2008 but before December 31, 2021 who retire with less than ten years will receive monthly benefits equal to 1.7% of their final average salary for each year of service. New employees hired between July1, 2008 and December 21, 2021 with between 20 to 26 years of service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.3% of their final average salary for each year of service. Lastly, new employees hired between July 1, 2008 and December 31, 2021 with between 26-30 years of service. Effective January 1, 2022 the system has been amended to change the benefit structure for employees hired on or after that date.

Final average salary is defined as the member's five (5) highest annual salaries for those with less than 27 years of service. Employees at least age 55 with 27 or more years of service may use their three (3) highest annual salaries to compute the final average salary. TRS also provides disability benefits for vested employees at the rate of sixty (60) percent of the final average salary. A life insurance benefit, payable upon the death of a member, is \$2,000 for active contributing employees and \$5,000 for retired or disabled employees.

Cost of living increases are one and one-half (1.5) percent annually. Additional ad hoc increases and any other benefit amendments must be authorized by the General Assembly.

#### **Contributions**

Contribution rates are established by Kentucky Revised Statutes. For members who began participating before Jan. 1, 2022, non-university employees are required to contribute 12.855% of their salaries to the System. University employees are required to contribute 10.400% of their salaries. KRS 161.565 allows each university to reduce the contribution of its employees by 2.215%; therefore, university employees contribute 8.185% of their salary to TRS. For members employed by local school

#### **NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS** (Continued)

districts, the state (as a non-employer contributing entity) contributes 13.105% of salary for those who joined before July 1, 2008, and 14.105% for those who joined on or after July 1, 2008, and before Jan. 1, 2022. Other participating employers are required to contribute the percentage contributed by members plus an additional 3.25% of members' gross salaries. For local school district and regional cooperative employees whose salaries are federally funded, the employer contributes 16.105% or 17.105% of salaries. If an employee leaves covered employment before accumulating five (5) years of credited service, accumulated employee pension contributions plus interest are refunded to the employee upon the member's request.

For members employed by local school districts, the state (as a non-employer contributing entity) contributes 13.105% of salary for those who joined before July 1, 2008, and 14.105% for those who joined on or after July 1, 2008, and before Jan. 1, 2022. Other participating employers are required to contribute the percentage contributed by members plus an additional 3.25% of members' gross salaries.

The contribution requirement for TRS for the year ended June 30, 2024, was \$12,292,078, which consisted of \$2,893,661 from the District and \$9,398,417 from the employees. Total contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 were \$11,929,797 and \$11,215,587, respectively. The contributions have been contributed in full for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022.

#### **Medical Insurance Plan**

#### Plan description

In addition to the pension benefits described above, KRS 161.675 requires TRS to provide postemployment healthcare benefits to eligible employees and dependents. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund (MIF) is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to employees under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. Once retired employees and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

#### **Funding policy**

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, 7.50% of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed. Member contributions are 3.75% and 0.75% is paid from state appropriate. Employer contributions are 3.00%. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

### NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

## Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for CERS. The District did not report a liability for the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS because the Commonwealth of Kentucky provides the pension support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related Commonwealth support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the CERS net pension liability	\$ 43,561,804
Commonwealth's proportionate share of the TRS net pension	
liability associated with the District	335,481,462
	\$ 379,043,266

The net pension liability for each plan was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The District's proportion of the net pension liability for CERS was based on the actual liability of the employees and former employees relative to the total liability of the System as determined by the actuary. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.678902% percent.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$985,243 related to CERS. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes of assumptions	\$ 2,255,111 -	\$ 118,370 3,992,469
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments  Changes in proportion and differences between District	4,705,909	5,300,115
contributions and proportionate share of contributions District contributions after the measurement date	- 4,765,617	1,128,397 -
Total	\$ 11,726,637	\$ 10,539,351

### NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

\$4,765,617 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30			
2024	\$	(2,255,106)	
2025		(1,873,982)	
2026		972,476	
2027		(421,719)	
2028		_	

#### **Actuarial assumptions**

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	CERS	TRS
Inflation	2.30%	2.50%
Projected salary increases	2.00%	3.00 - 7.50%
Investment rate of return, net of investment		
expense and inflation	6.25%	7.10%

For CERS, mortality rates used for active members for PUB-2010 General Mortality table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2020 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on a mortality experience from 2013-2022, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2023. The mortality table used for disabled members was PUB-2010 Disabled Mortality table, with rates multiplied by 150% for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010.

For TRS, mortality rates were based on Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each groups: service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5- year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the board on September 20, 2021. The Municipal Bond Index Rate used for this purpose is the June average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index.

#### **NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS** (Continued)

For CERS, the long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed against actual plan experience at least once every five years through the completion of an actuarial experience study. In general, the assumptions and methods used in the June 30, 2023 valuation are based on the most recent actuarial experience study performed as of June 30, 2022, submitted, and adopted by the Boards in May and June 2023. The future investment earnings of plan assets are assumed to accumulate at a rate of 6.50% per annum. This rate consists of a 2.50% price inflation component and a 4.00% real rate of return component. This assumption was adopted in 2023.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS and CERS investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Classes	TRS Target Allocation	TRS Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	CERS Target Allocation	CERS Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. equity	38.0%	5.00%	50.0%	5.90%
Developed international equity	15.7%	5.50%		
Emerging markets equity	5.3%	6.10%		
Core bonds			10.0%	2.45%
Private equity	7.0%	8.00%	10.0%	11.73%
High yield	5.0%	3.80%	10.0%	3.65%
Fixed income	15.0%	1.90%		
Additional categories	5.0%	3.60%		
Real estate	7.0%	3.20%	7.0%	4.99%
Real return			13.0%	5.15%
Cash	2.0%	1.60%	0.0%	1.39%
Total	100.00%		100.00%	

#### Discount rate

For CERS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan employees and employers will be made at statutory contribution rates. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment return of 6.50%. The long-term investment rate of return was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

### NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

For TRS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates for all fiscal years in the future. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## Sensitivity of CERS and TRS proportionate share of net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following table presents the net pension liability of the District, calculated using the discount rates selected by each pension system, as well as what the District's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	19	% Decrease	Currer	nt Discount Rate	1	% Increase
CERS District's proportionate share of		5.50%		6.50%		7.50%
net pension liability	\$	54,999,409	\$	43,561,804	\$	34,056,724
TRS District's proportionate share of		6.10%		7.10%		8.10%
net pension liability	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

#### Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial reports of both CERS and TRS.

#### NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS

### General information about the Teachers' Retirement System OPEB Plan

#### Plan description

Teaching-certified employees of the Kenton County School District are provided OPEBs through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (TRS) – a cost-sharing multiple- employer defined benefit OPEB plan with a special funding situation established to provided retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the state. TRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the Kentucky Revised Statues and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's

#### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

financial statements. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at https://trs.ky.gov/financial-reports-information.

The state reports a liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, and expense as a result of its statutory requirement to contribute to the TRS Medical Insurance and Life Insurance Plans. The following information is about the TRS plans.

#### **Medical Insurance Plan**

### Plan description

In addition to the OPEB benefits described above, Kentucky Revised Statute 161.675 requires TRS to provide post-employment healthcare benefits to eligible members and dependents. The TRS Medical Insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

#### Benefits provided

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to members under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. TRS retired members are given a supplement to be used for payment of their health insurance premium. The amount of the member's supplement is based on a contribution supplement table approved by the TRS Board of Trustees. The retired member pays premiums in excess of the monthly supplement. Once retired members and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

#### **Contributions**

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, seven and one-half percent (7.50%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed. Three and three quarters percent (3.75%) is paid by member contributions and three quarters percent (.75%) from state appropriation and three percent (3.00%) from the employer. The state contributes the net cost of health insurance premiums for members who retired on or after July 1, 2010 who are in the non-Medicare eligible group. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

#### General information about the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous OPEB Plan

#### Plan description

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky

### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

Retirement System, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statute ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS.

### Benefits

CERS provides health insurance, death and disability benefits to Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the plan after five years' service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date. See Note 8 for tier classifications.

#### **Contributions**

Required contributions by the employee are based on the tier disclosed in Note 8.

## OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs

At June 30, 2024, the Kenton County School District reported a liability of \$ 24,214,698 for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that reflected a reduction for state OPEB support provided to the District. The collective net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the collective net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 1.03 percent for TRS, which was an decrease of 0.37 percent of its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.68 percent for CERS, which was a decrease of 0.01 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

	\$ 45,414,698
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the District.	21,200,000
District's proportionate share of the TRS net OPEB liability	25,152,000
District's proportionate share of the CERS net OPEB asset	\$ (937,302)

### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB benefit of \$2,307,398 and revenue of \$1,701,430 for support provided by the State. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	653,422	\$	21,833,767
Changes of assumptions		7,562,547		1,285,464
Net difference between projected and actual earnings				
on OPEB investments		2,224,126		1,971,657
Changes in proportion and differences between District				
contributions and proportionate share of contributions		8,215,395		10,053,147
District contributions after the measurement date		2,171,517		
Total	\$	20,827,007	\$	35,144,035

Of the total amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, \$2,171,517 resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date and before the end of the fiscal year will be included as a reduction of the collective net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the District's OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30						
2025	\$ (	(5,321,427)				
2026		(4,163,517)				
2027	(	(2,182,211)				
2028		153,000				
2029		(717,000)				
Thereafter		(892,000)				

### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

#### **Actuarial assumptions**

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	TRS	CERS
Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.	6.25%
Projected salary increases	3.00 - 7.50%, including wage inflation	3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service
Inflation rate	2.50%	2.30%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%	
Wage Inflation	2.75%	
Healthcare cost trend rates		
Under 65	6.75% for FY 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FY 2032	Initial trend starting at 6.3% at January 1 2023 and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years
Ages 65 and Older	6.75% for FY 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FY 2032	Initial trend starting at 6.30% at January 1, 2023 and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years
Medicare Part B Premiums	1.55% for FY 2023 with an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2034	
Municipal Bond Index Rate	3.66%	3.86%
Discount Rate	7.10%	5.93%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation	

For TRS, mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Amount-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on the results of the most actuarial experience studies for the system, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the Board on September 20, 2021.

For CERS, mortality rates used for active members was PUB-2010 General Mortality table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on a mortality experience from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a lognormal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting

#### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Classes	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Rate of Return
Large Cap U.S. equity	35.4%	5.00%
Small Cap U.S. equity	2.6%	5.50%
Fixed income	9.0%	1.90%
Developed international equity	15.0%	5.50%
Emerging markets	5.0%	6.10%
High yield bonds	8.0%	3.80%
Real estate	6.5%	3.20%
Private equity	8.5%	8.00%
Other additional categories	9.0%	3.70%
Cash	1.0%	1.60%
Total	100.00%	

#### Discount rate

For TRS, the discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

For CERS, the discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 5.93%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1- percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1	% Decrease	Cur	rent Discount	1	.% Increase
TRS Discount Rate District's Net OPEB Liability	\$	6.10% 32,351,000	\$	7.10% 25,152,000	\$	8.10% 19,202,000
CERS Discount Rate District's Net OPEB Liability	\$	4.93% 1,758,959	\$	5.93% (937,302)	\$	6.93% (3,195,093)

## Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that were 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage- point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1	% Decrease	 rrent Health e Trend Rate	1	% Increase
TRS District's Net OPEB Liability	\$	18,107,000	\$ 25,152,000	\$	33,924,000
CERS District's Net OPEB Liability	\$	(3,004,220)	\$ (937,302)	\$	1,601,709

### **OPEB** plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report.

#### Life Insurance Plan

#### Plan description

TRS administers the life insurance plan as provided by Kentucky Revised Statute 161.655 to eligible active and retired members. The TRS Life Insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the life insurance plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees and the General Assembly.

#### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

TRS provides a life insurance benefit of five thousand dollars payable for members who retire based on service or disability. TRS provides a life insurance benefit of two thousand dollars payable for its active contributing members. The life insurance benefit funded by the Life Insurance Fund (LIF) is payable upon the death of the member to the member's estate or to a party designated by the member.

#### **Contributions**

In order to fund the post-retirement life insurance benefit, three hundredths of one percent (.03%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed by the state.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs

At June 30, 2024, the Kenton County School District did not report a liability for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability for life insurance benefits because the State of Kentucky provides the OPEB support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability - LIF	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability - LIF	
associated with the District.	525,000
	\$ 525,000

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$ 0.

#### **Actuarial assumptions**

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB Plan Investment Expense, including inflation
Projected salary increases	3.00 - 7.50%, including wage inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Rage wage growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Municipal bond index rate	3.37%
Discount Rate	7.10%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan Investment Expense,
	including price inflation

### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

Mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were based on the results of the most actuarial experience studies, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the Board on September 20, 2021.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

	Target	30 Year Expected Geometric
Asset Class	Allocation	Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	40.00%	5.20%
Fixed Income	21.00%	1.90%
Developed International Equity	15.00%	5.50%
Emerging Markets	5.00%	6.10%
Real Estate	7.00%	3.20%
Private Equity	5.00%	8.00%
Other Additional Categories	5.00%	4.00%
Cash	2.00%	1.60%
Total	100.00%	

#### Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability for life insurance was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

#### **NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS** (Continued)

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.10%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.10%) than the current rate:

	1% D	ecrease	Currer	t Discount	1%	Increase
TRS Discount Rate		6.10%		7.10%		8.10%
District's Net OPEB Liability	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

#### **OPEB plan fiduciary net position**

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report.

#### NOTE 10 CONTINGENCIES

#### **Grant Fund Approval**

The District receives funding from federal, state, and local government agencies and private contributions. These funds are to be used for designated purposes only. For government agency grants, if the grantor's review indicates that the funds have not been used for the intended purpose, the grantors may request a refund of monies advanced or refuse to reimburse the District for its disbursements. The amount of such future refunds and unreimbursed disbursements, if any, is not expected to be significant. Continuation of the District's grant programs is predicated upon the grantors' satisfaction that the funds provided are being spent as intended and the grantors' intent to continue the programs.

#### NOTE 11 INSURANCE AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

The District is exposed to various forms of loss of assets associated with the risks of fire, personal liability, theft, vehicular accidents, errors and omissions, fiduciary responsibility, etc. Each of these risk areas are covered through the purchase of commercial insurance. The District has purchased certain policies which are retrospectively rated, which includes workers' compensation insurance.

#### NOTE 12 RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. To obtain insurance for errors and omissions, and general liability coverage, the District participates in the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust Liability Insurance Fund. These public entity risk pools operate as common risk management and insurance programs for all school districts and other tax supported educational agencies of Kentucky who are members of the Kentucky School Boards Association. The District pays an annual premium to each fund for coverage. The Liability Insurance fund pays insurance premiums of the participating members established by the insurance carrier. The Trust can terminate coverage if it is unable to obtain acceptable excess general liability coverage and for any reason by giving ninety (90) days' notice. In the event the Trust terminated coverage, any amount remaining in the Fund (after payment of operational and administrative costs and claims for which coverage was provided) would be returned to the member on a pro rata basis.

The District is self-insured for unemployment insurance benefits. The District reimburses the state for any claims paid. The District purchases workers' compensation insurance through the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust. In addition, the District continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years

#### NOTE 13 DEFICIT OPERATING/FUND BALANCES

The following funds have operations that resulted in a current year deficit of revenues over expenditures, resulting in a corresponding reduction of fund balance:

Food Service Fund	\$ 232,334
District Activity Fund	196,034
Building Fund	294,424
Turkeyfoot Middle School	4,272
Beechgrove Elementary School	4,792
Piner Elementary	4,296
Whites Tower Elementary	172
Taylor Mill Elementary	9

#### NOTE 14 COBRA

Under COBRA, employers are mandated to notify terminated employees of available continuing insurance coverage. Failure to comply with this requirement may put the District at risk for a substantial loss (contingency).

### NOTE 15 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

The following transfers were made during the year.

From Fund	To Fund	Purpose	Amount
General Fund	Academy Fund	Operating	\$ 2,296,813
General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	KETS Match	261,967
General Fund	<b>Debt Service Fund</b>	Debt Service	809,848
Capital Outlay Fund	General Fund	Operating	1,294,950
Special Revenue Fund	General Fund	Indirect Costs	103,440
Student Activity Fund	District Activity Fund	District Activity	212,961
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>Debt Service Fund</b>	<b>Debt Service</b>	18,833,743
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>Construction Fund</b>	Construction	1,195,716
Food Service Fund	General Fund	Indirect Costs	449,174

#### NOTE 16 ON BEHALF PAYMENTS

For the year ended June 30, 2024, total payments of \$40,063,113 were made for life insurance, health insurance, TRS matching and administrative fees by the Commonwealth of Kentucky on behalf of the District. These payments were recognized as on-behalf payments and recorded in the appropriate revenue and expense accounts on the statement of activities.

General Fund	\$ 36,365,280
Debt Service Fund	2,663,904
Food Service Fund	461,259
Academy Fund	572,670
Total On-Behalf	\$ 40,063,113

### NOTE 17 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

<u>2012 - Ref, 2013, 2013 - Ref, 2014, 2015 A - Ref, 2015 B - Ref, 2015 C, 2016 - Ref, 2016 B, 2017, 2017 -Ref, 2018, 2020, 2020 - Ref, 2021, 2022, and 2022 B, 2023</u>

Fiscal Year	Kentor	n County School D	istrict	KY Schoo	l Facilities Cons	struction	
							Total
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	Requirements
2024-2025	\$ 14,043,253	\$ 6,307,040 \$	20,350,293	\$ 1,426,747	\$ 496,851	\$ 1,923,598	\$ 22,273,891
2025-2026	14,530,865	5,886,229	20,417,094	1,469,135	454,462	1,923,597	22,340,691
2026-2027	13,969,476	5,455,830	19,425,306	1,340,524	412,869	1,753,393	21,178,699
2027-2028	13,521,068	5,036,464	18,557,532	1,288,932	373,699	1,662,631	20,220,163
2028-2029	13,725,436	4,567,795	18,293,231	1,329,564	333,066	1,662,630	19,955,861
2029-2030	11,209,277	4,119,446	15,328,723	1,245,723	292,296	1,538,019	16,866,742
2030-2031	10,756,576	3,789,429	14,546,005	1,283,424	254,595	1,538,019	16,084,024
2031-2032	10,283,502	3,477,772	13,761,274	1,321,498	216,520	1,538,018	15,299,292
2032-2033	10,574,934	3,194,957	13,769,891	1,360,066	177,954	1,538,020	15,307,911
2033-2034	10,339,867	2,895,042	13,234,909	1,145,133	137,776	1,282,909	14,517,818
2034-2035	10,355,220	2,600,002	12,955,222	1,179,780	103,128	1,282,908	14,238,130
2035-2036	9,855,128	2,299,176	12,154,304	1,149,872	66,173	1,216,045	13,370,349
2036-2037	9,728,772	2,008,618	11,737,390	236,228	30,043	266,271	12,003,661
2037-2038	9,632,196	1,717,944	11,350,140	242,804	23,467	266,271	11,616,411
2038-2039	8,940,923	1,421,208	10,362,131	209,077	16,473	225,550	10,587,681
2039-2040	9,205,255	1,155,857	10,361,112	214,745	10,805	225,550	10,586,662
2040-2041	8,647,540	866,266	9,513,806	97,460	4,934	102,394	9,616,200
2041-2042	8,930,104	585,178	9,515,282	99,896	2,497	102,393	9,617,675
2042-2043	4,960,000	300,800	5,260,800	-	-	=	5,260,800
2043-2044	5,040,000	100,800	5,140,800	=	-	-	5,140,800
	\$ 208,249,392	\$ 57,785,853 \$	266,035,245	\$ 16,640,608	\$ 3,407,608	\$ 20,048,216	\$ 286,083,461

A summary of the changes in the principal of the outstanding bond obligations, the finance leases and the sick leave liability for the District during the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Governmental Activities	Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Payments	Balance June 30, 2024	Amounts Due Within One Year		
Bond Obligations	\$ 205,690,000	\$ 34,950,000	\$ 15,750,000	\$ 224,890,000	\$ 15,470,000		
Bond Premiums, Net	3,243,444	(620,835)	335,461	2,287,148			
Lease liabilities							
KISTA liabilities	7,532,971		1,409,665	6,123,306	1,250,781		
Right-to-use assets Subscription		1,644,343	435,577	1,208,766	789,942		
liabilities	648,869	1,056,619	625,946	1,079,542	500,983		
Accrued sick leave	1,372,958	239,125	207,556	1,404,527			
Total	\$ 218,488,242	\$ 37,269,252	\$ 18,764,205	\$ 236,993,289	\$ 18,011,706		

#### NOTE 18 UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE IGNITE INSTITUTE

On July 1, 2019, the District acquired an undivided interest in the Ignite Institute ("Ignite"), which is a regional high school at the Roebling Innovation Center in Boone County, Kentucky which provides regional programs.

The District has agreed to contribute \$330,000 annually to Ignite to ensure its balance budget and contribute additional funds for any unforeseen costs needed to be incurred beyond the budget. The District is responsible for the transportation costs of the students in its district, and has contributed 26 initial staff. The District is entitled to 50% of the revenues raised for Ignite to offset its financial obligations. The District does not own any of the fixed assets of Ignite.

The agreement is in effect until either party desires to terminate its participation, a written notice is required two full school years prior to its termination process. If the other party desires termination, the District has the right to purchase the furniture, fixtures, equipment, and inventory at Ignite and to lease the premises at fair market rent for the purpose of continuing the program at Ignite.

The District has recorded its undivided interest in Ignite in its Academy Fund.

#### NOTE 19 INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE

Current accounting and reporting standards define fair value, establish a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based on transparency of valuation inputs and require disclosures about fair value measurements. The hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1 Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets.
- Level 2 Inputs are observable quoted prices for similar assets in active markets.
- Level 3 Inputs are unobservable and reflect our best estimate of what market participants would use as fair value.

Investments consisted of the following at June 30, 2024:

US Treasury Bonds	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$ 39,847,726	\$	\$	<u>\$ 39,847,726</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 39,847,726</u>	\$ -	\$ -	<u>\$ 39,847,726</u>

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying statement of financial position, as well as the general classification pursuant to the valuation hierarchy. There were no valuations using Level 2 or 3 inputs.

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Level 1 securities include brokered certificates of deposit. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics.

#### NOTE 20 SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS

The District has various subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) which are used for educational and administrative purposes. These arrangements grant licenses to use the underlying IT assets of the vendors for periods expiring between June 2025 and June 2028. The District recognized an intangible asset and a corresponding liability for the value of the licenses during the term of the arrangements. These assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the subscription term. The following table shows the District's change in subscription asset and liability accounts for the year ended June 30, 2024:

Governmental Activities	Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2024
Subscription assets	\$ 1,385,984	\$ 992,789	\$ -	\$ 2,378,773
Accumulated amortization	\$ 438,296	\$ 789,653	\$ -	\$ 1,227,949
Subscription Liabilities	\$ 648,869	\$ 1,056,619	\$ 625,946	\$ 1,079,542

#### NOTE 21 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On August 22, 2024, the District issued a 15 year general obligation bond in the amount of \$24,985,000 to fund the construction of a central office building. Interest on the bond will be accrued at 4.00% semiannually and is payable each March and September, beginning March 1, 2025. The principal payments are due on an annual basis until September 1, 2039.



### KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENT FUNDS June 30, 2024

	C	apital Outlay Fund	District Activity Fund		Student Activity Fund		Academy Fund		y Building Fund		Service und	Total Non-major overnmental Funds	
Assets													
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$ 432,294	\$	1,357,247	\$	1,097,467	\$	577,730	\$	-	\$ 3,464,738	
Accounts and grants receivable		-	 3,962		327				-			 4,289	
Total Assets	\$	-	\$ 436,256	\$	1,357,574	\$	1,097,467	\$	577,730	\$	-	\$ 3,469,027	
Liabilities													
Accounts Payable	\$	=	\$ 11,345	\$	2,101	\$	1,097,467	\$	-	\$	=	\$ 1,110,913	
Total Liabilities		=	11,345		2,101		1,097,467		-		-	1,110,913	
Fund Balances													
Restricted		-			1,355,473		=		577,730		=	1,933,203	
Committed		-	424,911						-		=	424,911	
Total Fund Balances		=	424,911		1,355,473		-		577,730		-	2,358,114	
Total Liabilities and Fund													
Balances	\$	=	\$ 436,256	\$	1,357,574	\$	1,097,467	\$	577,730	\$		\$ 3,469,027	

# KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Capital Outlay Fund	District Activity Fund		Student Activity Fund		Academy Fund		Building Fund	Debt Service Fund		Total Non-major Governmental Funds	
Revenues													
Local sources													
Property taxes									\$ 18,480,945			\$	18,480,945
Other local revenues			\$	2,654	\$	2,142,374							2,145,028
Grants from local agencies and donors Interest Income				31,070		127,354 52,992							158,424 52,992
State sources													-
SEEK program	\$	1,294,950											1,294,950
FSPK program									1,254,090				1,254,090
KSFCC allocation										\$	2,663,904		2,663,904
Other state revenues							\$	572,670					572,670
Total Revenues		1,294,950		33,724		2,322,720		572,670	19,735,035		2,663,904		26,623,003
Expenditures													
Instruction				375,568		2,090,610		2,487,441					4,953,619
Student support services				419									419
Instructional staff support services				11,311									11,311
School administrative support services								382,042					382,042
Plant operations and maintenance				52,061									52,061
Transportation				2,110									2,110
Debt Service:													
Principal											15,750,000		15,750,000
Interest											6,557,495		6,557,495
Total Expenditures		-		441,469		2,090,610		2,869,483			22,307,495		27,709,057
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures		1,294,950		(407,745)		232,110		(2,296,813)	19,735,035		(19,643,591)		(1,086,054)

# KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Capital Outlay Fund	District Activity Fund	Student Activity Fund	Academy Fund	Building Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Non-major Governmental Funds
Other financing sources (uses)							
Transfers in		211,711		2,296,813	-	19,643,591	22,152,115
Transfers out	(1,294,950)		(212,961)		(20,029,459)	_	(21,537,370)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(1,294,950)	211,711	(212,961)	2,296,813	(20,029,459)	19,643,591	614,745
Net change in fund balances	-	(196,034)	19,149	-	(294,424)	-	(471,309)
Fund balances, beginning of year		620,945	1,336,324		872,154		2,829,423
Fund balances, end of year	\$ -	\$ 424,911	\$ 1,355,473	\$ -	\$ 577,730	\$ -	\$ 2,358,114

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# Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual - General Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

Variance with

			Original Budget	 Final Budget	Actual	1	nal Budget Favorable nfavorable)
Revenues							
Taxes		\$	63,786,350	\$ 68,670,000	\$ 68,055,445	\$	(614,555)
Earnings of	on investments		850,034	850,034	3,002,618		2,152,584
State sour	rces		42,439,087	38,410,911	75,117,718		36,706,807
Federal so	ources		450,000	450,000	616,063		166,063
Other sou	ırces		3,152,159	3,309,652	3,993,527		683,875
	Total revenues		110,677,630	111,690,597	150,785,371		39,094,774
Expenditures							
Instructio	nal		60,282,759	60,564,468	82,362,675		(21,798,207)
Student s	upport services		7,695,889	7,695,998	10,909,613		(3,213,615)
Staff supp	oort services		3,756,542	4,167,214	4,644,410		(477,196)
District ac	lministration		2,524,374	2,477,840	2,924,314		(446,474)
School ad	ministration		7,941,048	7,945,337	10,878,778		(2,933,441)
Business	support services		3,396,582	3,423,608	3,920,543		(496,935)
Plant ope	ration and maintenance		15,687,937	16,376,009	15,561,013		814,996
Student tr	ransportation		9,670,643	9,347,819	8,207,759		1,140,060
Communi	ty service operations		2,718	2,718	50		2,668
Other			24,698,616	31,190,298	4,983,377		26,206,921
	Total expenditures		135,657,108	 143,191,309	 144,392,532		(1,201,223)
	Net change in fund balance		(24,979,478)	(31,500,712)	6,392,839		37,893,551
	Fund balance, July 1, 2023		24,979,478	31,500,712	35,361,261		3,860,549
	Fund balance, June 30, 2024	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 41,754,100	\$	41,754,100
		-					

# Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual - Special Revenue Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

Variance with

Revenues State sources	\$	Budget	Actual	(Un	favorable)
State cources	\$				
State sources	4,124,631	\$ 4,137,797	\$ 4,751,245	\$	613,448
Federal sources	6,401,674	6,587,154	13,927,712		7,340,558
Other sources	 265,000	 278,750	 333,914		55,164
Total revenues	10,791,305	11,003,701	19,012,871		8,009,170
Expenditures					
Instructional	7,819,385	7,895,873	13,787,244		(5,891,371)
Student support services	110,814	119,647	656,495		(536,848)
Staff support services	1,110,048	1,186,658	2,381,345		(1,194,687)
District administration	71,805	71,805	43,357		28,448
School administration	-	-	-		-
Plant operation and maintenance	72,089	87,092	219,210		(132,118)
Student transportation	-	-	437,094		(437,094)
Food service operation	-	-	-		-
Community service operations	1,219,458	1,254,920	1,282,441		(27,521)
Other	387,706	387,706	205,685		182,021
Total expenditures	 10,791,305	 11,003,701	 19,012,871		(8,009,170)
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-		-
Fund balance, July 1, 2023	-		-		-
Fund balance, June 30, 2024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-

# Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balances Bond and Interest Redemption Funds

# Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Issue of 2012-Ref	Issue of 2013	Issue of 2013-B	Issue of 2014E	Issue of 2015A-Ref	Issue of 2015B-Ref	Issue of 2015C	Issue of 2016-Ref	Issue of 2016	
Cash at July 1, 2023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Receipts:										
Transfers and misc deposits	4,617,625	5,211,250	759,473	289,113	525,075	2,028,675	1,157,105	1,682,400	1,116,237	
Disbursements:										
Bonds paid	4,505,000	4,915,000	530,000	195,000	345,000	1,815,000	755,000	1,010,000	650,000	
Interest coupons	112,625	296,250	229,473	94,113	180,075	213,675	402,105	672,400	466,237	
Total disbursements Excess of receipts over disbursements	4,617,625	5,211,250	759,473	289,113	525,075	2,028,675	1,157,105	1,682,400	1,116,237	
Cash at June 30, 2024										
Fund Balance at June 30, 2024							-			
	Issue of 2017E	Issue of 2017-Ref	Issue of 2018	Issue of 2020	Issue of 2020-Ref	Issue of 2021	Issue of 2022	Issue of 2022B	Issue of 2023	Total
Cash at July 1, 2023		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receipts:										
Transfers and misc deposits	283,256	266,600	497,462	419,099	264,500	939,731	1,457,562	97,215	695,117	22,307,495
Disbursements:										
Bonds paid	150,000	230,000	30,000	85,000	155,000	315,000	60,000	5,000	-	15,750,000
Interest coupons	133,256	36,600	467,462	334,099	109,500	624,731	1,397,562	92,215	695,117	6,557,495
Total disbursements Excess of receipts	283,256	266,600	497,462	419,099	264,500	939,731	1,457,562	97,215	695,117	22,307,495 -
over disbursements  Cash at June 30, 2024			<u>-</u>				<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
Fund Balance at June 30, 2024		_				_	-	_	-	_

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net TRS Pension Liability

June 30, 2024

## Last 10 Fiscal Years

	 2023		2022	_	2021	 2020		2019
District's proportion of the								
net pension liability	0%		0%		0%	0%		0%
District's proportionate share of the								
net pension liability	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability								
associated with the District	\$ 335,481,462	\$	330,621,254	\$	255,138,437	\$ 254,678,294	\$	267,672,165
Total	\$ 335,481,462	\$	330,621,254	\$	255,138,437	\$ 254,678,294	\$	267,672,165
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 70,517,215	\$	66,737,323	\$	64,781,464	\$ 62,415,878	\$	63,929,795
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage								
of the District's covered payroll	0%		0%		0%	0%		0%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.68%		56.41%		65.59%	59.27%		58.76%
	 2018		2017		2016	 2015		2014
District's proportion of the	 2018		2017		2016	 2015		2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability	<b>2018</b> 0%		<b>2017</b> 0%		<b>2016</b> 0%	<b>2015</b> 0%		*
net pension liability			<del></del> -					*
	\$ 	\$	<del></del> -	\$		\$		*
net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability  State's proportionate share of the	\$ 	\$	<del></del> -	\$		\$		*
net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 	•	0%			0%		* *
net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability  State's proportionate share of the net pension liability	0%	•	0%		0% - 574,248,216	0%	_	* * *
net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability  State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District	\$ 0% - 275,146,804	\$	0% - 526,022,122	\$	0% - 574,248,216	\$ 0% - 455,140,342		*
net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability  State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District  Total	\$ 0% - 275,146,804 275,146,804	\$	0% - 526,022,122 526,022,122	\$	0% - 574,248,216 574,248,216	\$ 0% - 455,140,342 455,140,342		*
net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability  State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District  Total  District's covered employee payroll  District's proportionate share of the net	\$ 0% - 275,146,804 275,146,804	\$	0% - 526,022,122 526,022,122	\$	0% - 574,248,216 574,248,216	\$ 0% - 455,140,342 455,140,342		*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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## Schedule of the District Contributions to TRS Pension

June 30, 2024

## Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2	2024	2	023	2	022	2	2021	2	2020
Contractually required contributions	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions		-						-		
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	_	\$	-
District's covered payroll	\$ 72	,423,574	\$ 70,	517,215	\$ 66,	737,323	\$ 64	,781,464	\$ 64	,392,008
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
	2	2019	2	018	2	017	2	2016	2	2015
Contractually required contributions	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions										
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
District's covered payroll	\$ 63	,929,795	\$ 62,	415,878	\$ 61,	542,779	\$ 61	,049,646	\$ 57	,147,377
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%

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Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the CERS Net Pension Liability

June 30, 2024

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.67890	2% 0.688548%	0.716027%	0.745789%	0.756928%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 43,561,8	04 \$ 49,775,228	\$ 45,652,338	\$ 57,201,399	\$ 53,235,083
Total net pension liability	\$ 6,416,509,0	00 \$ 7,229,013,496	\$ 6,375,784,388	\$ 7,669,917,211	\$ 7,033,044,552
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 20,024,2	83 \$ 19,185,505	\$ 18,537,283	\$ 19,236,792	\$ 19,064,764
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of employee covered payroll	217.5	5% 259.44%	246.27%	297.35%	279.23%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.4	8% 52.42%	57.33%	47.81%	50.45%
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability	<b>2018</b> 0.74759	<del></del>	-	<b>2015</b> 0.713744%	<b>2014</b>
District's proportion of the net pension liability  District's proportionate share of the net pension liability		7% 0.730802%	-		
District's proportionate share of the	0.74759	7% 0.730802% 36 \$ 42,776,088	0.717592%	0.713744%	*
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	0.74759	7% 0.730802% 36 \$ 42,776,088 93 \$ 5,853,307,482	0.717592%	0.713744%	*
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability  Total net pension liability	0.74759 \$ 45,530,9 \$ 6,090,304,7	7% 0.730802% 36 \$ 42,776,088 93 \$ 5,853,307,482 37 \$ 17,847,065	0.717592% \$ 35,331,499 \$ 4,923,618,237 \$ 16,968,535	0.713744% \$ 30,687,590 \$ 4,299,525,565	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

## Schedule of District Contributions to CERS Pension

June 30, 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Contractually required contributions	\$ 4,765,617	\$ 4,699,868	\$ 4,069,465	\$ 3,564,709	\$ 3,712,733
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	(4,765,617)	(4,699,868)	(4,069,465)	(3,564,709)	(3,712,733)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered payroll	\$20,419,862	\$20,024,283	\$19,185,505	\$18,537,283	\$19,236,792
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	23.34%	23.47%	21.21%	19.23%	19.30%
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contributions	<b>2019</b> \$ 3,113,580	<b>2018</b> \$ 3,425,254	\$ 3,365,129	<b>2016</b> \$ 2,943,161	<b>2015</b> \$ 2,944,080
Contractually required contributions  Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions					
Contributions in relation to the	\$ 3,113,580	\$ 3,425,254	\$ 3,365,129	\$ 2,943,161	\$ 2,944,080
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	\$ 3,113,580	\$ 3,425,254	\$ 3,365,129	\$ 2,943,161	\$ 2,944,080

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information - TRS Pension

Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### Pension:

Changes of benefit terms: A new benefit tier was added for members joining the System on and after January 1, 2022.

Changes of assumption: In 2014, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate ("SEIR") resulted in an assumption change from 5.16% to 5.23%.

Changes of assumption: In 2015, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate ("SEIR") resulted in an assumption change from 5.23% to 4.88%.

Changes of assumption: In the 2016 valuation, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In the 2016 valuation, the Assumed Salary Scale, Price Inflation, and Wage Inflation were adjusted to reflect a decrease. In addition, the calculation for the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.88% to 4.20%.

Changes of assumption: In 2017, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate ("SEIR") resulted in an assumption change from 4.20% to 4.49%.

Changes of assumption: In 2018, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate ("SEIR") resulted in an assumption change from 4.49% to 7.50%.

Changes of assumption: In the 2020 experience study, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability, mortality and rates of salary increases were adjusted to reflect actual experience more close. The expectation of mortality was changed to the Pub2010 Mortality Tables projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and actives. The assumed long-term investment rate of return was changed from 7.50% to 7.10% and the price inflation assumption was lowered from 3% to 2.50%. In addition, the calculation of the SEIR results in an assumption.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information - CERS Pension

Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### Pension

Changes of benefit terms: The following changes were made by the Kentucky Legislature and reflected in the valuation performed as of June 30 listed below: 2014: As cash balance plan was introduced for member whose participation date is on or after January 1, 2014.

Changes of assumption: The following changes were made by the Kentucky Legislature and reflected in the valuation performed as of June 30 listed below:

2015: The assumed investment rate of return was decreased from 7.75% to 7.50%. 2015: The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.50% to 3.25%.

2015: The assumed rate of wage inflation was reduced from 1.00% to 0.75%. 2015: Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.50% to 4.00%.

2015: The mortality table used for active members is RP-2000 Combined Mortality table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (multiplied by 50% for males and 30% for females).

2015: For healthy retired members and beneficiaries, the mortality table used is the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set back 1 year for females). For disabled members, the RP-2000 Combined Disabled Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set back 4 years for males) is used for the period after disability retirement. There is some margin in the current mortality tables for possible future improvement in mortality rates and that margin will be reviewed again when the next experience investigation is conducted.

2015: The assumed rates of Retirement, Withdrawal and Disability were updated to more accurately reflect experience.

2017: The assumed investment rate of return was decreased from 7.50% to 6.25%.

2017: The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 2.30%.

2017: The assumed rate of salary growth was reduced from 4.00% to 3.05%.

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the TRS Net OPEB Liability - Life Insurance

June 30, 2024

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.0000%	0.0000%	0.0000%	0.0000%	0.0000%
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset)		550.000		500.000	
associated with the District	525,000	569,000	241,000	633,000	571,000
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 70,517,215	\$ 66,737,323	\$ 64,781,464	\$ 64,392,008	\$ 63,929,795
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage					
of the District's covered payroll	0.74%	0.85%	0.37%	0.98%	0.89%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	76.91%	73.97%	89.15%	71.57%	73.40%
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.0000%	0.0000%	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset)					
associated with the District	513,000	274,000	*	*	*
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 62,415,878	\$ 61,542,779	*	*	*
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage					
of the District's covered payroll	0.82%	0.45%	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability					

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Schedule of the District Contributions to TRS OPEB - Life Insurance

June 30, 2024

		2024	 2023		2022	_	2021	_	2020
Contractually required contributions	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions		<u>-</u>	 <u> </u>						
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	-	\$ <u> </u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	-	\$	-
District's covered employee payroll	\$	72,423,574	\$ 70,517,215	\$	66,737,323	\$	64,781,464	\$	64,392,008
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		0.00%	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
	_	2019	 2018		2017		2016		2015
Contractually required contributions	\$	-	\$ -		*		*		*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u> _		*		*		*
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	-	\$ 	_	*	_	*	_	*
District's covered employee payroll	\$	63,929,795	\$ 62,415,878		*		*		*
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		0.00%	0.00%		*		*		*

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information - TRS OPEB Life Insurance

Year Ended June 30, 2024

## OPEB:

Changes of benefit terms - None.

Methods and assumptions used in the actuarially determined contributions - The actuarially determined contribution rates, as a percentage of payroll, used to determine the actuarially determined contribution amounts in the Schedule of Employer Contributions are calculated as the of the indicated valuation date. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the indicated actuarial valuations) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2023:

Valuation date June 30, 2019
Actuarial cost method Entry Age Normal
Amortization method Level Percent of Payroll

Amortization period 25 years

Asset valuation method Five-year smoothed value

Inflation3.00%Real wage growth0.50%Wage inflation3.50%

Salary increases, including wage inflation 3.50% - 7.20%

Discount rate 7.50%

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the TRS Net OPEB Liability - Medical Insurance

June 30, 2024

## Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	1.032670%	1.402697%	1.040249%	1.035769%	1.040797%
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 25,152,000	\$ 34,822,000	\$ 22,321,000	\$ 26,140,000	\$ 30,462,000
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District	21,200,000	11,440,000	18,127,000	20,939,000	24,600,000
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 70,517,215	\$ 66,737,323	\$ 64,781,464	\$ 64,392,008	\$ 63,929,795
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of the District's covered payroll	35.70%	52.20%	34.50%	40.60%	47.60%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	52.97%	47.75%	51.74%	39.05%	32.58%
	2010	2017	2016	2015	2014
	2018	2017		2013	
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	1.000033%	1.025238%	*	*	*
• •					*
OPEB liability  District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability  State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset)	1.000033%	1.025238% \$ 36,558,000			*
OPEB liability  District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability  State's proportion of the collective	1.000033%	1.025238%			* * *
OPEB liability  District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability  State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District  District's covered employee payroll  State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage	1.000033% \$ 34,698,000 29,903,000 \$ 62,415,878	1.025238% \$ 36,558,000 29,863,000 \$ 61,542,779			* * *
OPEB liability  District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability  State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District  District's covered employee payroll  State's proportion of the collective	1.000033% \$ 34,698,000 29,903,000	1.025238% \$ 36,558,000 29,863,000			* * *

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Schedule of the District Contributions to TRS OPEB - Medical Insurance

June 30, 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Contractually required contributions	\$ 2,171,517	\$ 2,112,631	\$ 2,003,936	\$ 1,829,240	\$ 1,930,293
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	(2,171,517)	(2,112,631)	(2,003,936)	(1,829,240)	(1,930,293)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 72,423,574	\$ 70,517,215	\$ 66,737,323	\$ 64,781,464	\$ 64,392,008
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.82%	3.00%
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contributions	\$ 1,916,935	\$ 1,823,422	*	*	*
Contractually required contributions  Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	\$ 1,916,935	\$ 1,823,422 (1,823,422)	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually					
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions		(1,823,422)	*	*	*

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Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the CERS Net OPEB Liability - Medical Insurance

June 30, 2024

	2023	 2022	2021		2020		2019
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.678877%	0.688422%		0.715859%		0.745573%	0.756739%
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (937,302)	\$ 13,586,102	\$	13,704,762	\$	18,003,321	\$ 12,728,009
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset)							
associated with the District	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Total net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (937,302)	\$ 13,586,102	\$	13,704,762	\$	18,003,321	\$ 12,728,009
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 20,024,283	\$ 19,185,505	\$	18,537,283	\$	19,236,792	\$ 19,064,764
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of the District's covered payroll	(4.68)%	70.80%		73.90%		93.60%	66.80%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	104.23%	60.95%		62.91%		51.67%	60.44%
	2018	 2017		2016		2015	2014
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.747575%	0.730802%		*		*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 13,273,046	\$ 14,691,620		*		*	*
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability (asset)							
associated with the District	\$ -	\$ -		*		*	*
Total net OPEB liability	\$ 13,273,046	\$ 14,691,620		*		*	*
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 18,445,837	\$ 17,847,065		*		*	*
State's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of the District's covered payroll	72.00%	82.30%		*		*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage							

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Schedule of the District Contributions to CERS OPEB - Medical Insurance

June 30, 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Contractually required contributions	\$ -	\$ 681,042	\$ 1,114,210	\$ 879,727	\$ 915,671
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions		(681,042)	(1,114,210)	(879,727)	(915,671)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$20,419,862	\$20,024,283	\$19,185,505	\$18,537,283	\$19,236,792
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.00%	3.40%	5.81%	4.75%	4.76%
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contributions	\$ 1,002,807	\$ 871,263	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	(1,002,807)	(871,263)	*	*	*
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$19,064,764	\$18,445,837	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	5.26%	4.72%	*	*	*

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information - TRS OPEB Medical Insurance

Year Ended June 30, 2024

Changes in benefit terms - None

The Health Trust is not funded based on actuarially determined contribution, but instead is funded based on statutorily determined amounts as noted in the assumed asset allocation for MIF.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information - CERS OPEB Medical Insurance

Year Ended June 30, 2024

Changes in assumptions: None

2018: Updated health care trend rates were implemented.



## Kenton County School District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and Due To Student Groups Dixie Heights High School Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund Balance July 1, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers, Net	Fund Balance June 30, 2024
Academic Team	\$ -	\$ 35	\$ 35	\$ -	\$ -
Archery Fund Raising	-	-	315	315	-
Art Club	292	700	256	-	736
Athletics, General	37,857	209,814	209,498	(5,265)	32,908
Band	11,133	30,914	28,840	-	13,207
BETA Club	756	-	421	-	335
Bowling Fund Raising	22	-	13	-	9
Boys Golffund Raising	2	-	-	-	2
Boys Soccer Fund Raising	2,749	-	1,207	(600)	942
CBI Community Based Edu	1,531	1,634	1,184	-	1,981
Cheerleading Fundraising	5,090	57,918	76,705	15,297	1,600
Choir Club	2,722	3,478	585	-	5,615
Dixie Scholars Club	383	782	710	-	455
Drama Club	3,445	14,168	11,860	-	5,753
Drug Free Club	493	35	12	-	516
Earth Wise	104	360	-	-	464
Faculty	139	155	283	-	11
Faculty Flower Fund	29	376	330	-	75
FBLA Club	-	1,903	1,882	-	21
FEA Club	6	-	-	-	6
Fees	1	15,284	15,284	(1)	-
FFA	917	1,050	640	-	1,327
Football fund Raising	10,293	22,162	27,332	(2,500)	2,623
Foreign Language NHS	4,985	380	278	-	5,087
Forensic Team	-	2,345	2,337	-	8
Fund 21 Sweep Account	-	-	-	-	-
Gaming Club	-	-	-	-	-
Girls BK Fund Raising	11,302	11,751	3,354	(1,400)	18,299
Girls Soccer Fund Raising	10,723	6,840	7,260	(600)	9,703
Girls Track Fundraising	2,592	-	-	(1,500)	1,092
Ham Radio Tech Club	530	-	207	-	323
Hope Squad	-	-	-	-	-
IMPACT Club	-	-	-	-	-
Jr Class Dance/Activities	2,012	36,170	38,857	675	-
Mock Trial Team	65	-	-	-	65
NHS Club	1,096	700	1,342	-	454
Odyssey of the Mind Team	-	180	-	-	180
Other Dist/Stu Act Income	-	2,674	2,674	-	-
Random Acts of Kindness	54	2,051	2,138	240	207
Robotics	272	1,400	1,395	-	277
S.T.L.P. Club	447	-	-	-	447
SAGA	21	-	-	-	21
Sandfoss Memorial Scholarship	-	2,000	2,000	-	-
Scott Scholarship	-	8,981	8,981	-	-
Social Norms Club	78	-	-	-	78
Softball Fundraising	604	120	48	-	676
Sr Class Dance/Activities	-	18,298	18,487	226	37
Startup Cash	-	750	750	-	-
Student Ambassadors	-	561	88	-	473
Student Council	11,704	19,113	19,025	(240)	11,552
Student Enrichment	18,764	8,958	8,933	(741)	18,048
Swim and Dive Fund Raising	-	2,984	2,984	-	-
Technology Fee	150	-	-	-	150
TSA	-	330	300	-	30
Volleyball Fund Raising	170	8,572	-	(3,746)	4,996
Yearbook Club	3,654	4,096	1,843	-	5,907
Yearbook Club Youth Service Center	3,654 1,241	4,096 755	1,843 515	(160)	5,907 1,321

# Kenton County School District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and Due To Student Groups Scott High School

Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund Balance July 1, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers, Net	Fund Balance June 30, 2024
Academic Team	\$ 1,073	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,073
Adventure Crew Club	534	-	-	-	534
Archery	2,214	6,587	6,297	-	2,504
Athletics	14,651	176,566	136,772	(38,240)	16,205
Background check (Sweep)	-	498	-	(20)	478
Band (Marching Band)	4,796	4,263	1,798	-	7,261
Bowling	533	592	806	-	319
Boys Golf	829	-	-	-	829
Boys Tennis	111	-	-	-	111
Boys Track	3,328	730	3,788	-	270
Buddy Club	330	-	150	-	180
CBI Trips and Activities	-	303	450	-	(147)
Choir	683	-	-	-	683
CLASS OF 2024	5,401	15	11,442	8,710	2,684
CLASS OF 2025	2,000	165	7,989	14,138	8,314
CLASS OF 2026	1,000	74	87	2,000	2,987
CLASS OF 2027	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
Community Club	73	-	-	-	73
Cross Country	1,533	450	360	-	1,623
Dance Team	533	-	-	-	533
Drama	10,471	6,231	7,357	(176)	9,169
Family Assistance	2,672	2,770	350		5,092
Fellowship Christian Athletes	14	-	-	-	14
Field Trips	1,279	-	-	-	1,279
FFA Chapter	-	2,940	1,740	-	1,200
Floral & Greenhouse	_	496	157	-	339
Fund 21/Athletic Admissions	23	-	3,000	3,000	23
Fund 21/Athletic Donations	_	10,000	10,000	-	-
Fund 21/Athletic Other Activities	_	-	11,169	13,169	2,000
Fund 21/Library	_	-	653	653	-
Fund 21/Other Student Activities	_	-	2,001	2,001	-
Fund 21/Student Fees	_	2,189	2,414	225	-
Girls Basketball	5,184	10,910	12,587	(1,000)	2,507
Girls Golf	17	-	-	-	17
Girls Soccer	5,037	893	1,636	(550)	3,744
Girls Tennis	579	1,725	1,674	-	630
Girls Track	5,983	730	4,698	-	2,015
JROTC	5,572	5,450	4,454	-	6,568
Junior Statesman	266	11,202	9,841	-	1,627
National Honor Society	810	90	104	-	796
SHS Scholarship Fund	31,178	8,981	6,000	-	34,159
Student Council	8,653	80	1,919	2,674	9,488
Student Fees (to Fund 21)	-	-	-/	_,	-
Student Support	11,384	8,859	12,226	1,463	9,480
Summer School	1,425	-	-	-, 103	1,425
Swimming & Diving	4,863	16,134	14,536	_	6,461
Swimming Pool	-,505	12,986	,550	(8,169)	4,817
Teacher Support	1,724	459	1,625	(0,103)	558
Tech Fees	410	3,429	2,961	(878)	-
Volleyball	1,151	5,725		(676)	1,151
Yearbook Club	669	_	-	_	669
					505

#### Kenton County School District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and Due To Student Groups Simon Kenton High School Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund Balance July 1, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers, Net	Fund Balance June 30, 2024
Academic Team Archery Team	\$ 1,222	\$ 479 5	\$ 957	\$ (272)	\$ 47 1,86
•	3,229 245	374	1,368 396	-	1,80
Art Club Athletics	68,629	169,212	224,575	8,272	21,53
Background Check	08,029	60	70	10	21,33
Baseball	9,709	41,503	44,936	(2,020)	4,25
Basketball - Boys	20,709	47,310	49,087	(4,973)	13,95
Basketball - Girls	1,018	15,809	16,797	(25)	,
Bass Fishing Team	1,391	4,605	5,492	(480)	2
Bi-County FFA Scholarship	47,669	-	250	-	47,41
Bowling Team	5,154	3,319	2,255	(86)	6,13
Bridge Club	253	150	166	(25)	2:
Change	-	-	-	-	
Cheerleading	7,765	68,903	66,532	(372)	9,76
Choir Club	182	4,827	3,515	(462)	1,03
Chris Girard Memorial Scholarship	10,861	-	-	-	10,86
Community Based Class	1,770	844	1,742	-	8
Community Based Transportation	8,897	-	2,872	-	6,0
Cross County/Track	3,116	2,028	1,670	(1,342)	2,1
Dance Team	4,080	16,721	10,531	(1,670)	8,60
District Tech Fee/Sweep	-	108	108	-	
Orama Club	13,125	12,297	12,684	(4,896)	7,8
aculty Fund	566	168	669	-	
BLA	230	3,748	2,801	(206)	9
ield Trips	1,684	3,044	4,159	-	5
ine Arts Support Fund	35	-	-	(35)	
ire Fund	27,000	-	-	-	27,0
irst Priority	5	-	-	-	
ootball	5,904	37,915	37,131	(4,554)	2,1
rench Club	80	-	-	(25)	
reshman Academy	4,295	840	1,910	(100)	3,1
reshman Class of 2026	64	767	205	-	6
reshman Class of 2027	-	149	26	-	1
und 21 - Bookstore Sales	-	-	-	-	
und 21 - Fees	-	5,236	5,236	-	
und 21 - Other Ath Activity	-	2,117	8,043	5,926	
und 21 - Other Dist Student Activity	-	9,883	19,461	9,578	
uture Farmers of America	3,126	12,446	10,854	(433)	4,2
Golf - Boys	120	-	-	(25)	
Golf - Girls	570	612	670	-	5
Greenhouse	11,799	8,938	-	(1,336)	19,4
Iall of Fame	15,644	-	-	-	15,6
lomecoming	24,180	25,445	9,267	(1,371)	38,9
unior Class of 2024	-	43,161	49,079	5,918	
ibrary Media Center	127	-	-	-	1
lat'l Art Honor Society	15	120	80	-	
IHS	491	980	1,077	(25)	3
hoto Club	63	250	268	-	
ioneer Pride	516	3,184	1,286	(1,002)	1,4
ride Shop	7,865	4,654	6,396	3,153	9,2
ising Sun	500	-	-	(500)	
tobert Roden Scholarship	371	-	-	(371)	
cholarship	22,963	20,519	16,519	371	27,3
cott Scholarship	48,037	8,981	18,000	-	39,0
occer - Boys	309	-	-	309	6
occer - Girls	514	-	-	-	5
oftball	1,799	5,634	4,912	-	2,5
oph Class of 2025	356	-	-	-	3
trides for Stephanie	2,221	-	-	-	2,2
tudent Incentives	20,275	19,206	7,468	(5,278)	26,7
ummer School	503	-	-	-	5
wimming	484	7,575	8,143	1,475	1,3
ennis - Boys & Girls	3,257	12,151	10,628	275	5,0
esting Fund	28,418	3,945	-	-	32,3
rack	2,514	1,781	838	(25)	3,4
Inified Bowling	163	1,500	636	(879)	1
Inified Track	820	-	-	(190)	6
eteran's Day	208	-	127	-	
/olleyball	630	3,500	1,796	(25)	2,3
Vrestling	2,000	-	-	(2,000)	
earbook	2,441		169	(157)	2,1
outh Service Center	1,079	1,438	1,982	(127)	4
Total	\$ 453,265	\$ 638,441	\$ 675,839	\$ -	\$ 415,8

# Kenton County School District Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Due To Student Groups - Activity Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

		rkey Foot Idle School	wenhofel ddle Schoo	ol	Woodland Middle Scho		Summit Acade			chgrove nentary		A. Cay Elemer			Fort Wrig Elementa	
Revenues from student activities	\$	86,466	\$ 168,68	0	\$ 82,9	977	\$ 14	4,425	\$	63,930	) \$	3	3,719	\$	22	2,762
Non-instructional expenses		90,738	157,87	0	59,3	364	14	2,013		68,722		3	0,810		20	0,699
Excess (deficit) of revenue		(4,272)	10,81	0	23,6	513		2,412		(4,792	<u>!</u> )		2,909		2	2,063
Due to student groups, June 30, 2023	!	58,330	194,82	0	45,7	703	8	1,833		32,019	)	1	0,939		19	9,144
Due to student groups, Jun 30, 2024	\$	54,058	\$ 205,63	0	\$ 69,3	316	\$ 8	4,245	\$	27,227	<u> </u>	1	3,848	\$	2:	1,207
		enton mentary	Piner mentary		C. Hinsdale ementary		ver Ridge ementary	He	land ights entary	Taylor Elemen			e's Tow mentary		Total	ls
Revenues from student activities	\$	55,194	\$ 20,477	\$	63,400	\$	56,319	\$	23,989	\$ 33	3,408	\$	29,9	63	\$ 88	85,709
Non-instructional expenses		47,076	24,773		60,758		54,751		21,381	33	3,417		30,1	35	84	42,507
Excess (deficit) of revenue		8,118	(4,296)		2,642		1,568		2,608		(9)		(1	72)	4	43,202
Due to student groups, June 30, 2023		25,961	35,089		8,563		21,675		17,983	19	9,175		24,4	11	59	95,645
Due to student groups, June 30, 2024	\$	34,079	\$ 30,793	\$	11,205	\$	23,243	\$	20,591	\$ 19	9,166	\$	24,2	39	\$ 63	38,847



# **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

# For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Agreement Number	Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			
Passed through State Department of Education			
Child Nutrition Cluster			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	7760005	\$ 1,316,290
National School Lunch Program	10.555	7750002	4,092,481
National School Lunch Program	10.555	9980000	445,211
National School Lunch Program - Food Commodities	10.555	4002553	584,058
Summer Food Service Program	10.559	7690024	12,256
Summer Food Service Program	10.559	7740023	9,106
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			6,459,402
State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition	10.560	7700001	12,003
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	7720012	20,843
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			\$ 6,492,248
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  Passed though Kentucky Department of Education			
Title I Cluster			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100002 - 22	\$ 33,396
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100002 - 23	766,165
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100002 - 24	1,450,376
AIM (Arts in Mind)	84.351A	315K	37,457
Program Total			2,287,394
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States (Perkins)	84.048	4621132 - 23	9,494
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States (Perkins)	84.048	4621132 - 24	129,417
Program Total			138,911
Title I-D Neglected and Delinquent Children	84.013	313J	10,665
Title I-D Neglected and Delinquent Children	84.013	313K	42,175
Program Total			52,840

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# Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards - Continued

# For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Federal		
	Assistance	Agreement	Federal
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Listing Number	Number	Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONContinued			
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)			
Special Education Preschool Grants (IDEA Preschool)	84.173A	3800002 - 22	597
Special Education Preschool Grants (IDEA Preschool)	84.173A	3800002 - 23	110,535
Special Education - Grants to States (IDEA, Part B)	84.027A	3810002 - 22	74
Special Education - Grants to States (IDEA, Part B)	84.027A	3810002 - 23	842,299
Special Education - Grants to States (IDEA, Part B)	84.027A	3810002 - 24	1,838,087
Program Total			2,791,592
Title II Cluster			
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367A	3230002 - 22	51,377
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367A	3230002 - 23	141,930
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367A	3230002 - 24	299,572
Program Total			492,879
Title III Cluster			
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365A	3300002 - 23	1,191
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365A	3300002 - 24	60,195
Program Total			61,386
Title IV Cluster			
Student Support & Academic Enrichment Grant (Part A)	84.424A	3420002 - 22	28,483
Student Support & Academic Enrichment Grant (Part A)	84.424A	3420002 - 23	34,703
Student Support & Academic Enrichment Grant (Part A)	84.424A	3420002 - 24	17,427
Program Total			80,613
Office of Safe and Supportive Schools			
School Based Mental Health Grant Program	84.184H	534KW	3,460
Total U.S. Department of Education			\$ 5,909,075

# **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

# For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Agreement Number	Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES			
Passed though Kentucky Department of Education			
CECC Preschool Development Grant School Readiness	93.434	644F	\$ 986
Project AWARE - Northern KY Trauma Informed Schools	93.243	551KI	62,817
Total U.S. Department of Health & Human Services			\$ 63,803
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY			
Passed though Kentucky Department of Education			
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CF	RRSA)		
ESSER II Funds	84.425D	554G	\$ 841,774
GEER II - Career to Cradle - FRYSC	84.425C	564GF	12,731
Educational Cooperative ESSER II Funds New Teacher Induction	84.425D	578J	7,123
Program Total			861,628
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)			
ESSER III Funds Digital Learning Coach Supports	84.425U	473GW	18,697
ESSER III Funds	84.425U	473G	516,417
ESSER III Funds 20% Learning Loss	84.425U	473GL	5,596,010
ARP ESSER Homeless Children and Youth II	84.425W	476IC	138,448
ARP ESSER Homeless Children and Youth II	84.425W	476KM	35,000
IDEA-B LEA-ARP	84.027X	4781	582,443
IDEA-B PRESCHOOL LEA-ARP	84.173X	4881	121,173
Educational Cooperative ARP ESSER Deeper Learning	84.425U	563J	85,018
Program Total			7,093,206
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			\$ 7,954,834
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 20,419,960

See Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and Independent Auditors' Report

# Kenton County School District Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards June 30, 2024

# Note 1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the Kenton County School District and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance").

#### Note 2 SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement

## Note 3 FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the Schedule at the fair value of the commodities received and disbursed. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 the District received \$584,058 in donated food commodities.

#### Note 4 INDIRECT COST RATE

The District has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect costs rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

## Note 5 SUBRECIPIENTS

The District did not have any subrecipients during the year ended June 30, 2024.



Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control
Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and
Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial
Statements Performed In Accordance with
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Members of the Board Kenton County School District Fort Wright, Kentucky

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the *Kentucky Public School Districts' Audit Contract and Requirements* prescribed by the Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Kenton County School District (the "District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 14, 2024.

## **Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

## **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

In addition, the results of our tests disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with specific statutes or regulations identified in the *Kentucky Public School District's Audit Contract and Requirements* prescribed by the Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

LBMC,PC

Louisville, Kentucky November 14, 2024 Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance For Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance



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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance For Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

Members of the Board Kenton County School District Fort Wright, Kentucky

## **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

## **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited Kenton County School District's (the "District") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of audit results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Kenton County School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

## **Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the audit requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

## **Management's Responsibility for Compliance**

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

## **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design
  and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on
  a test basis, evidence regarding the District's compliance with the compliance requirements
  referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the
  circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in
  order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report
  on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the
  purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over
  compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

## **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with

a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

#### Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the Kenson County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated November 14, 2024, which contained an unmodified opinion on these financial statements. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

LBMC,PC

Louisville, Kentucky November 14, 2024



#### Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

#### **Kenton County School District**

Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### Section I - Summary of Audit Results

- 1. The Independent Auditors' Report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Kenton County School District (the "District").
- 2. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the financial statements were reported.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the District were disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relating to the audit of the major federal award program are reported.
- 5. The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal program of the District expresses an unmodified opinion.
- 6. There were no audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR Section 200.516(a) of the Uniform Guidance.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs are as follows:

#### Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title

#### **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

#### **Child Nutrition Center**

School Breakfast Program	10.553
National School Lunch Program	10.555
National School Lunch Program - Food Commodities	10.555
Summer Food Service Program	10.559

- 8. The threshold used for distinguishing Type A programs was \$750,000.
- 9. The District qualified to be audited as a low-risk auditee.

## Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs--Continued

## **Kenton County School District**

Year Ended June 30, 2024

## Section II - Findings - Financial Statement Audit

There are no findings to be reported.

## Section III - Findings and Questioned Costs - Major Federal Programs Audit

There are no findings to be reported.



## Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

## **Kenton County School District**

Year Ended June 30, 2024

## Section II - Findings - Financial Statement Audit

There are no findings to be reported.

## Section III - Findings and Questioned Costs - Major Federal Programs Audit

There are no findings to be reported.

## APPENDIX D

## KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

## STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

## **KY CONST. §§ 157 and 158** KRS § 66.041

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

C	OUNTY	OF KENTON ) SS	
	ne "Dist	he undersigned, as the Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Kenton Corict"), does hereby certify that the following statements concerning the finance true and correct, as they appear from records of the District:	•
1.		ssessed valuation of taxable property in the District as estimated on the rtified assessment is	\$13,316,138,047
2.	The cu	arrent population of the District is	171,823
3.		tal amount of all bonds, notes, and other obligations of the District issued atstanding, including the present Bonds of \$16,740,000	\$267,580,000
4.		, notes, and other obligations of the District excluded from the calculation indebtedness are as follows:	
	(a)	Obligations issued in anticipation of the levy or collection of special assessments which are payable solely from those assessments or are otherwise self-supporting obligations	\$0
	(b)	Obligations issued in anticipation of the collection of current taxes or revenues for the fiscal year which are payable within that fiscal year	\$0
	(c)	Obligations that are not self-supporting obligations and are issued after July 15, 1996, by any instrumentality of the District created to finance public projects for which there has been no pledge to the payment of debt charges of any tax of the District or for which there is no covenant by the District to collect or levy a tax to pay debt charges	\$204,415,000
	(d)	Self-supporting obligations and other obligations for which there has been no pledge to the payment of debt charges of any tax of the District or for which there is no covenant by the District to collect or levy a tax to pay debt charges	\$0
	(e)	Obligations issued to pay costs of public projects to the extent they are issued in anticipation of the receipt of, and are payable as to principal from, federal or state grants within that fiscal year	\$0
	(f)	Leases entered into under KRS Sections 65.940 to 65.956 after July 15, 1996 which are not tax-supported leases	\$0
	(g)	Bonds issued in the case of an emergency, when the public health or safety should so require	\$0
	(h)	Bonds issued to fund a floating indebtedness	\$0
	TOTA	L EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS	\$_204,515,000

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

- 5. The total amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations of the District subject to the debt limitation set forth in KRS Section 66.041 (Line 3 minus Line 4) is
- 6. The total amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations of the District subject to the debt limitation set forth in KRS Section 66.041, as computed in Line 5 above, does not exceed 2% of the assessed valuation of all of the taxable property in the District.\*\*
- 7. The current tax rate of the District, for school purposes, upon the value of its taxable property is \$0.6350 per \$100 of assessed valuation for real property and \$0.6350 per \$100 of assessed valuation for tangible property, which does not exceed the maximum permissible aggregate tax rate for the District permitted by Kentucky law.
- 8. The issuance of the bonds, bond anticipation notes, or other obligations set forth in Line 3 hereof will not cause the tax rate set forth in Paragraph 7 hereof to increase in an amount which would exceed the maximum permissible aggregate tax rate for the District permitted by Kentucky law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this November 05, 2025.

By:	
	Treasurer

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

<sup>\*\*</sup> In accordance with KRS Section 66.041, a city, county, urban-county, consolidated local government, charter county, or taxing district shall not incur net indebtedness to an amount exceeding the following maximum percentages on the value of taxable property within the city, county, urban-county, consolidated local government, charter county, or taxing district, as estimated by the last certified assessment previous to the incurring of the indebtedness:

<sup>(</sup>a) Cities, urban-counties, consolidated local governments, and charter counties having a population of 15,000 or more, 10%;

<sup>(</sup>b) Cities, urban-counties, and charter counties having a population of less than 15,000 but not less than 3,000, 5%;

<sup>(</sup>c) Cities, urban-counties, and charter counties having a population of less than 3,000, 3%; and

<sup>(</sup>d) Counties and taxing districts, 2%.

## APPENDIX E

## KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL



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, 2025

Board of Education of Shelby County, Kentucky Shelbyville, Kentucky

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as bond counsel to the Board of Education of Shelby County, Kentucky ("Board") and in such capacity have examined the transcript of proceedings for the issue of \$14,855,000 Board of Education of Shelby County, Kentucky General Obligation Bonds, Second Series 2025 (the "Bonds"), dated November 6, 2025, numbered R-1 upward, and of denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds are issued by the Board on behalf of the Shelby County School District ("District"). The Bonds mature, bear interest, and are subject to mandatory and optional redemption upon the terms set forth therein. We have also examined a specimen Bond.

Based upon this examination, we are of the opinion, based upon the laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions in effect on the date hereof, that:

- 1. The Bonds constitute valid obligations of the Board in accordance with their terms, which, unless paid from other sources, are payable from taxes to be levied by the Board, without limitation as to rate or amount.
- 2. Under the laws, regulations, rulings, and judicial decisions in effect on the date hereof, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Further, interest on the Bonds will not be treated as a specific item of tax preference in computing the Federal alternative minimum tax; however, with respect to certain corporations, interest on the Bonds is taken into account in determining the annual adjusted financial statement income for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on corporations for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022. In rendering the opinions set forth in this paragraph, we have assumed continuing compliance with certain covenants designed to meet the requirements of Section 103 of the Code. We express no other opinion as to the federal or state tax consequences of purchasing, holding, or disposing of the Bonds.
- 3. Interest on the Bonds is not subject to taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the Bonds are not subject to ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky or any political subdivision thereof.

The Board has NOT designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" with respect to investments by certain financial institutions under Section 265 of the Code.



In rendering this opinion, we have relied upon covenants and certifications of facts, estimates, and expectations made by officials of the Board and the District and others contained in the transcript for the Bonds; which we have not independently verified. It is to be understood that the enforceability of the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, and any other laws in effect from time to time affecting creditors' rights generally, and to the exercise of judicial discretion.

The opinions expressed in this letter are based upon the law in effect on the date hereof, and may be affected by actions taken or omitted or events occurring after the date hereof, including subsequent interpretations of the applicable law by competent judicial, regulatory and administrative authorities that modify, revoke, supplement, reverse, overrule or otherwise change applicable law and current interpretations thereof, and specifically by current or future legislative proposals, which, if enacted into law, could adversely affect the tax exemption of the interest on the Bonds. We assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion should such law be changed by legislative action, judicial decision, or otherwise, or to determine or to inform any person whether any such actions are taken or omitted or any such events occur.

## APPENDIX F

## KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

## CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

## Relating to:

\$[Final Par]
KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

Dated as of: December 16, 2025

This CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE (this "Certificate") is executed and delivered as of December 16, 2025, by the Kenton County School District (the "Issuer"), in connection with the issuance and delivery of its \$[Final Par] Kenton County School District, Series 2025B (the "Obligations"). The Obligations are being issued under and in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Issuer on November 3, 2025 (the "Authorizing Legislation"). The Issuer hereby certifies, covenants, and agrees as follows:

#### Section 1. Purpose of this Certificate.

This Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Issuer to provide for the disclosure of certain information concerning the Obligations on an ongoing basis, as set forth herein, for the benefit of the Holders (as hereinafter defined) of the Obligations, in accordance with the provisions of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time (the "Rule").

#### Section 2. Definitions; Scope of this Certificate.

All terms capitalized but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to those terms in the Authorizing Legislation and the Obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Disclosure Agent" shall mean the Issuer or any disclosure agent appointed or engaged by the Issuer, and any successor disclosure agent shall automatically succeed to the rights and duties of the Disclosure Agent hereunder, without any amendment hereto. The following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Financial Information" means a copy of the annual comprehensive financial report prepared for the Issuer, which shall include, if prepared, a balance sheet, a statement of revenues and expenditures, and a statement of changes in fund balances, generally consistent with the information set forth in Appendix [ ] of the Offering Document. All of such Annual Financial Information shall be prepared using generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units; provided, however, that the Issuer may change the accounting principles used to prepare such Annual Financial Information so long as the Issuer includes, as information provided to the public, a statement to the effect that different accounting principles are being used, stating the reason for such change, and explaining how to compare the financial information provided by the differing accounting principles. Any of the items listed above may be set forth in other documents which have been transmitted to the MSRB, including Offering Documents of debt issues of the Issuer or any related public entities, or may be included by specific reference to any documents available to the public on the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system or filed with the SEC. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

"Beneficial Owner" means any person which has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Obligations (including any persons holding the Obligations through nominees, depositories, or other intermediaries).

"Event," with respect to the Obligations, means any of the following events:

- (i) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (ii) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (iii) Unscheduled draws on any debt service reserves, reflecting financial difficulties;
- (iv) Unscheduled draws on any credit enhancements, reflecting financial difficulties:
- (v) Substitution of any credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (vi) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of any proposed or final determinations of taxability, any Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or any other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or any other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
- (vii) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
- (viii) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers (except for any mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event);
- (ix) Defeasances;
- (x) Release, substitution, or sale of any property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
- (xi) Rating changes;
- (xii) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or any other similar event of the Issuer (Note This event is considered to occur upon the occurrence of any of the following events: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or other similar officer for the Issuer in any proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers of the Issuer in possession of such assets or business of the Issuer but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of any order confirming any plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over all or substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer);

- (xiii) The consummation of any merger, consolidation, or other acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into any definitive agreement to undertake any of such actions, or the termination of any definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than in accordance with its terms, if material;
- (xiv) Appointment of any successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- (xv) Incurrence of any Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or any other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (xvi) Default, acceleration event, termination event, modification of terms, or any other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

The SEC requires the listing of (i) through (xvi), although some of such events may not be applicable to the Obligations.

"Financial Obligation" means (a) any debt obligation; (b) any derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as the security or a source of payment for, any existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) a guarantee of either (a) or (b). The term Financial Obligation shall not include any municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

"Holders" means any holder or Beneficial Owner of the Obligations.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Offering Document" means the Official Statement dated November 25, 2025.

"Operating Data" means an update of the operating data of the Issuer, limited to the information set forth under the following headings (or their functional equivalents) of Appendix [\_\_\_] of the Offering Document: "Assessed Value of Property," "Historical Tax Rates," "Top Ten Taxpayers of the District," "Attendance," and "SEEK Funds."

"Participating Underwriter" means any of the original underwriters of the Obligations required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of the Obligations.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Section 3. Disclosure of Information.

- (A) <u>Information Provided to the Public</u>. Except to the extent this Certificate is modified or otherwise altered in accordance with Section 4 hereof, the Issuer shall make, or shall cause the Disclosure Agent to make, public the information set forth in subsections (i), (ii), and (iii) below:
  - (i) Annual Financial Information and Operating Data. The Annual Financial Information and Operating Data of the Issuer, at least annually, on or before 270 days after the end of each fiscal year ending June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and continuing with each fiscal year thereafter. If the Disclosure Agent is an entity or person other than the Issuer, then the Issuer shall provide the Annual Financial Information and Operating Data to the Disclosure Agent no later than fifteen Business Days before the disclosure date set forth above. The Annual Financial Information and Operating Data may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information; provided that the audited financial statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the other Annual Financial Information.
  - (ii) <u>Event Notices</u>. Notice of the occurrence of an Event, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the Event.
  - (iii) <u>Failure to Provide Annual Financial Information or Operating Data</u>. Notice of the failure of the Issuer to provide the Annual Financial Information or Operating Data by the disclosure date required by subsection (A)(ii) of this Section.
- (B) <u>Dates Information is to be Provided to the Public</u>. The Annual Financial Information and Operating Data of the Issuer and, subject to the timing requirement set forth in subsection (A)(ii) of this Section, notices of Event occurrences shall be made public on the same day as notice thereof is given to the Holders of the outstanding Obligations, if such notice is required in accordance with the terms of the Authorizing Legislation or the Obligations, and such information shall not be made public before the date of any such notice.

#### (C) Means of Making Information Public.

- (i) Information shall be deemed to have been made public by either the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent under this Certificate if such information is transmitted as provided in subsection (C)(ii) of this Section, by the following means:
  - (a) to all of the Holders of the outstanding Obligations, by first class mail, postage prepaid;
  - (b) to the MSRB, in an electronic format prescribed by the MSRB, and accompanied by the identifying information prescribed by the MSRB; or
  - (c) to the SEC, by (1) electronic facsimile transmissions confirmed by first class mail, postage prepaid, or (2) first class mail, postage prepaid; provided, however, that the Issuer and the Disclosure Agent are authorized to transmit

information to the SEC by any means that are mutually acceptable to the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent, as the case may be, and the SEC.

- (ii) The following information shall be transmitted to the following parties:
- (a) All information required to be provided to the public in accordance with subsection (A) of this Section shall also be transmitted to the MSRB.
- (b) All information required to be provided to the public in accordance with subsection (A) of this Section shall also be made available, upon request therefor, to any Holders of the Obligations, but need not be transmitted to the Holders of the Obligations who do not so request.
- (iii) To the extent the Issuer is obligated to file any Annual Financial Information and Operating Data with the MSRB under this Certificate, such Annual Financial Information and Operating Data may be set forth in a document or a set of documents transmitted to the MSRB or may be included by specific reference to any documents available to the public on the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system or filed with the SEC.
- (iv) The Issuer or the Disclosure Agent may require payment from the Holders of the Obligations in connection with any request from a Holder for any periodic information regarding the finances or operational data of the Issuer or for any information regarding the occurrence of an Event, as provided by subsection (C)(ii)(b) of this Section, by charging any Holder which makes such a request for (1) the reasonable costs incurred by the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent in duplicating and transmitting the requested information to such Holder, and (2) the reasonable administrative expenses incurred by the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent in providing the requested information to such Holder.

#### Section 4. Amendment or Modification.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Certificate to the contrary, the Issuer may amend this Certificate and waive any provision hereof, so long as such amendment or waiver is supported by an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel with expertise in federal securities laws, to the effect that such amendment or waiver would not, in and of itself, cause any of the undertakings set forth herein to violate the Rule if such amendment or waiver had been effective on the date hereof, but taking into account any subsequent change in the Rule or in the official interpretation thereof, as well as any change in circumstance.

#### Section 5. Miscellaneous.

- (A) <u>Termination of Certificate</u>. The obligations of the Issuer and the Disclosure Agent, if any, under this Certificate shall terminate when all of the Obligations are, or are deemed to be, no longer outstanding by reason of the redemption or legal defeasance of the Obligations or upon the maturity thereof.
- (B) <u>Additional Information</u>. Nothing in this Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from (i) disseminating any other information using the means of dissemination set forth

herein or by any other means of communication, or (ii) including any other information, in addition to the information that is required by this Certificate, in any Annual Financial Information, Operating Data, or notice of the occurrence of an Event provided hereunder. If the Issuer chooses to include any other information in any Annual Financial Information, Operating Data, or notice of the occurrence of an Event in addition to that which is specifically required under this Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation hereunder to update any such additional information or to include it in any future Annual Financial Information, Operating Data, or notice of the occurrence of an Event provided under this Certificate.

- (C) <u>Defaults; Remedies</u>. If the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Certificate, any Holder of the Obligations may take any such action as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking an action in mandamus or for specific performance, to cause the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent, as the case may be, to comply with its respective obligations hereunder. Any default under this Certificate shall not constitute a default on the Obligations, and the sole remedy available in any proceeding to enforce this Certificate shall be an action to compel specific performance.
- (D) <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Certificate shall inure solely and only to the benefit of the Issuer, the Disclosure Agent, if any, the Participating Underwriter, and the Holders or Beneficial Owners of the Obligations and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

#### Section 6. Additional Disclosure Obligations.

The Issuer hereby acknowledges and understands that other state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, may apply to the Issuer and that, under some circumstances, compliance with this Certificate, without additional disclosures or other action, may not fully discharge all of the duties and obligations of the Issuer under such laws.

#### Section 7. Notices.

Any notices or communications to the Issuer may be given as follows:

Kenton County School District 1055 Eaton Drive Fort Wright, Kentucky 41017 Attention: Finance Director

Telephone: 859-344-8888

[Signature page to follow]

## SIGNATURE PAGE TO CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused its duly authorized officer to execute this Certificate as of the day and year first above written.

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Ву:	Chair

## APPENDIX G

## KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

**BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM** 

#### **BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM**

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered under the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that its participants (the "Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between the Direct Participants' accounts, which eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers, dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"), which is the holding company for DTC, the National Securities Clearing Corporation, and the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others, including both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers, dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with any Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (the "Indirect Participants" and, together with the Direct Participants, the "Participants"). DTC has a rating of AA+ from S&P. The DTC Rules that are applicable to the Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through the Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond (each, a "Beneficial Owner") is, in turn, to be recorded on the records of the Direct Participants and the Indirect Participants. The Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase; provided, however, that the Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of such transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct Participant or the Indirect Participant through which such Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of the Direct Participants and the Indirect Participants acting on behalf of the Beneficial Owners. The Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all of the Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not affect any change in beneficial ownership of the Bonds. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct Participants and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

The conveyance of notices and any other communications by DTC to the Direct Participants, by the Direct Participants to the Indirect Participants, and by the Direct Participants and the Indirect Participants to

the Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. The Beneficial Owners may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events relating to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the bond documents. For example, the Beneficial Owners may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to the Beneficial Owners. Alternatively, the Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within a single issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detailed information from the District or the Paying Agent, on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown upon DTC's records. All payments by the Participants to the Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with any securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Paying Agent, or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) will be the responsibility of the District or the Paying Agent, the disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and the disbursement of such payments to Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of the Direct Participants and the Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as the securities depository for the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District or the Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information contained in this Appendix concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

## APPENDIX H

## KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE

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# \$16,740,000\* KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

Notice is hereby given that electronic bids will be received by the Board of Education of the Kenton County School District (the "District"), until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T. on November 25, 2025, at the office of the Executive Director of the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission, 700 Louisville Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, receive sealed, competitive bids for the bonds described herein (the "Bonds"). To be considered, bids must be submitted on an Official Bid Form and must be delivered to the Secretary at the address indicated on the date of sale no later than the hour indicated. Bids will be opened by the Secretary and may be accepted without further action by the District's Board of Education.

#### STATUTORY AUTHORITY, PURPOSE OF ISSUE, AND SECURITY

The Bonds are authorized by Sections 66.011 to 66.191, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and are being issued under and in accordance with a Bond Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on November 3, 2025 (the "Bond Resolution"). The Bonds are general obligation bonds and constitute a direct indebtedness of the District. The Bonds are secured by the District's ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an ad valorem tax on all property within the District in a sufficient amount to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) financing all or a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, equipping, and installing improvements at Piner Elementary School and White's Tower Elementary School (collectively, the "Project"); (ii) paying capitalized interest on the Bonds, if desirable; and (iii) paying all or a portion of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

#### BOND MATURITIES, PRIOR REDEMPTION PROVISIONS, AND PAYING AGENT

The Bonds shall be dated their date of initial issuance and delivery and shall bear interest at the rates set forth on the cover page hereof, payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1, beginning June 1, 2026.

The Bonds are scheduled to mature on December 1, in each of the years as follows:

<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	Amount*	
December 1, 2026	\$300,000	December 1, 2036	\$830,000	
December 1, 2027	300,000	December 1, 2037	855,000	
December 1, 2028	300,000	December 1, 2038	1,050,000	
December 1, 2029	345,000	December 1, 2039	1,095,000	
December 1, 2030	480,000	December 1, 2040	1,260,000	

<sup>\*</sup> Subject to Permitted Adjustment.

December 1, 2031	630,000	December 1, 2041	1,305,000
December 1, 2032	650,000	December 1, 2042	1,205,000
December 1, 2033	660,000	December 1, 2043	1,285,000
December 1, 2034	675,000	December 1, 2044	1,330,000
December 1, 2035	730,000	December 1, 2045	1,455,000

The Bonds maturing on and after December 1, 2034 are subject to optional redemption on any date on and after December 1, 2033, in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as shall be designated in writing by the District and by lot within a maturity, at the election of the District upon thirty-five days' written notice to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar for the Bonds (the "Paying Agent and Bond Registrar") at a redemption price equal to the par amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

At least thirty days before the redemption date of any Bonds, the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar shall cause a notice of such redemption either in whole or in part, signed by the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar, to be mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to all registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at their addresses as they appear on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar, but failure to mail any such notice shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption of Bonds for which such notice has been sent. Each such notice shall set forth the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price to be paid and, if less than all of the Bonds being payable by their terms on a single date then outstanding shall be called for redemption, the distinctive number or letters, if any, of such Bonds to be redeemed.

#### BIDDING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

The terms and conditions of the sale of the Bonds are as follows:

<u>Bid Form</u>. Bids shall be for the entire issue and shall be made on the Official Bid Form in order to provide for uniformity in submission of bids and ready determination of the lowest and best bid.

Minimum Bid. Bidders are required to bid for the entire issue of Bonds at a minimum price of not less than \$16,405,200\* (98% of par), PAYABLE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS.

Award; Adjustment. The determination of the best purchase bid for each of the Bonds will be made on the basis of the lowest net interest cost. Upon determination of the lowest net interest cost, the principal amounts of the Bonds shall be immediately adjusted by the District to determine the maturities of the final bond issue. The successful bidder will be required to accept the Bonds in the amounts so computed, whether the principal amount has been increased by up to ten percent (10%) or decreased in an amount deemed by the District to be in its best interest (the "Permitted Adjustment") and to pay the purchase price based upon the aggregate amount of the final issue.

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<sup>\*</sup> Subject to Permitted Adjustment.

The District also has the right to adjust individual principal maturity amounts, even if the total amount of the Bonds does not change, in order to promote desired annual debt service levels. In the event that the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds is revised after the award, the interest rate and reoffering price for each maturity and the Underwriter's Discount of the Bonds, as submitted by the successful bidder, will be held constant. The Underwriter's Discount is defined as the difference between the purchase price of the Bonds submitted by the bidder and the price at which the Bonds will be offered to the public, calculated from information provided by the bidder, divided by the par amount of the Bonds bid.

Good Faith Deposit. The successful purchaser shall be required (without further advice from the District) to wire transfer an amount equal to 2% of the par amount of the Bonds to the Paying Agent Bank by the close of business of the day following the award as a good faith deposit. Said amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price upon delivery and will be forfeited if the purchaser fails to take delivery.

Interest Rates. Bidders must stipulate an interest rate or rates in multiples of 1/8, 1/10 or 1/20 of 1%. Only one interest rate shall be permitted per Bond, and all Bonds of the same maturity shall bear the same rate. Interest rates must be on an ascending scale, in that the interest rate stipulated for any maturity shall not be less than the interest rate for any preceding maturity. There is no limit on the number of different interest rates. Interest rates may not exceed 5% per annum.

Submission of Bids. Each bid on the Official Bid Form shall be placed in a sealed envelope addressed to the District, and on the outside of the envelope, there shall appear a legend identifying the same as being a bid for the "Kenton County School District General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025B." No bid will be given consideration unless it is actually received or is in the process of telephonic transfer in the office of the District before the time set forth at the beginning of these Official Terms.

Notice is hereby given that electronic proposals will be received via BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>, in the manner described below, until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., on November 25, 2025. Bids may be submitted electronically via BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> pursuant to these Official Terms until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., but no bid received after the time for receiving bids above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> conflict with these Official Terms, the terms of these Official Terms shall control. For further information about BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>, potential bidders may contact the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor or BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> at 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10018, Telephone: (800) 850-7422.

Term Bond Option. The purchaser of the Bonds may specify to the District that any of the Bonds may be combined with immediately succeeding sequential maturities into a Term Bond or Term Bonds, bearing a single rate of interest, with the maturities set forth above (or as may be adjusted as provided herein) comprising mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for such Term Bond(s).

<u>Bond Insurance</u>. If the successful bidder desires to obtain insurance guaranteeing the payment of the principal and/or interest on the Bonds, the District agrees that it will cooperate with

the successful bidder in obtaining such insurance, but all of the expenses and charges in connection therewith shall be borne by such bidder and the District shall not be liable to any extent therefor.

<u>DTC</u>. The successful bidder may likewise elect to notify the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor within twenty-four hours of the award that standard bond certificates be issued. If no such election is made, the Bonds will be delivered using the book-entry only system administered by The Depository Trust Company.

Acceptance of Bid. The District will accept a bid or reject all bids on the date stated at the beginning of this Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale.

Right to Reject. The right to reject bids for any reason deemed advisable by the Board of Education of the District and the right to waive any possible informalities or irregularities in any bid which in the judgment of the District shall be minor or immaterial is expressly reserved.

Official Statement. The District will provide the successful purchaser with a Final Official Statement, in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended. The Final Official Statement will be provided in electronic form to the successful bidders, in sufficient time to meet the delivery requirements of the SEC and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The successful bidders will be required to pay for the printing of Final Official Statements.

<u>CUSIPS</u>. CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds at the expense of the purchaser. Improper imprintation or the failure to imprint CUSIP numbers shall not constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of any accepted proposal for the purchase of the Bonds.

Rights Reserved. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid or, upon 24 hours advance notice before the sale date given through the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system, to postpone the sale date of the Bonds. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality in any bid. The Bonds are offered for sale subject to the principal and interest of the Bonds not being subject to federal income taxation nor being subject to Kentucky income taxation or Kentucky ad valorem taxation on the date of their delivery to the successful bidders, all in accordance with the final approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, which opinion will be qualified in accordance with the section hereof entitled TAX TREATMENT.

<u>Independent Registered Municipal Advisor</u>. Bidders are advised that RSA Advisors, LLC, Lexington, Kentucky has been employed as an Independent Registered Municipal Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Its fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery thereof.

<u>Purchaser Certification</u>. The winning bidder for the Bonds shall assist the District in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the District at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A-1 or Exhibit A-

2, as applicable, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the District and Bond Counsel. All actions to be taken by the District under these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be taken on behalf of the District by the District's Independent Registered Municipal Advisor identified herein and any notice or report to be provided to the District shall be provided to the District's Independent Registered Municipal Advisor.

The District intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation § 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Series Bonds) will apply to the initial sale of each of the Bonds (the "competitive sale requirements") because:

- (1) the District shall disseminate these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
  - (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
- (3) the District may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
- (4) the District anticipates awarding the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the lowest net interest cost, as set forth in these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the District shall so advise the applicable winning bidder. The District will treat the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of any maturity of the Bonds as the issue price of that maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), in each case applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis (and if different interest rates apply within a maturity, to each separate CUSIP number within that maturity). Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the District determines to apply the hold-the-offering-price rule to any maturity of the Bonds. Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that some or all of the maturities of the Bonds will be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.

If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the winning bidder for the Bonds shall assist the District in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the District at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the hold-the-offering-price rule as the issue price of that maturity, in each case applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis (and if different interest rates apply within a maturity, to each separate CUSIP number within that maturity) substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A-2, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the District, and Bond Counsel.

The District acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth above, the winning bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires; (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires; and (iii) in the event that an underwriter is a party to a retail distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in the retail distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The District further acknowledges that each underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule as applicable to the Bonds.

By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement, and each retail distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires; and (ii) any agreement among underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder or such underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended (the "Rule") the District will agree, pursuant to a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking to be dated as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds (the "Disclosure Undertaking"), to cause the following information to be provided:

(i) to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB"), or any successor thereto for purposes of the Rule, through the continuing disclosure service portal provided by the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system as described in 1934 Act Release No. 59062, or any similar system that is acceptable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements and additional information consistent with the information contained the following headings of Appendix [\_\_\_] to the Official Statement: "Assessed Value of Property," "Historical Tax Rates," "Top Ten Taxpayers of the District," "Attendance," and "SEEK Funds." The Annual Financial Information shall be provided on or before 270 days

after the end of each fiscal year ending June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025; provided that the audited financial statements may not be available by such date, but will be made available immediately upon delivery thereof by the auditors for the District;

- (ii) to the MSRB through EMMA, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of the following events with respect to the Bonds:
  - (a) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - (b) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - (c) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (d) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties:
  - (e) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - (f) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
  - (g) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
  - (h) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers (except for mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event);
  - (i) Defeasances;
  - (j) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
  - (k) Rating changes;
  - (Note: For the purposes of this event, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District);
  - (m) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the

- assets of the District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- (n) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.
- (o) Incurrence of a material financial obligation by the District, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (p) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (iii) in a timely manner, to the MSRB through EMMA, notice of any failure (of which the District has knowledge) of the District to provide the required Annual Financial Information on or before the date specified in the Disclosure Undertaking.

The Disclosure Undertaking provides bondholders, including beneficial owners of the Bonds, with certain enforcement rights in the event of a failure by the District to comply with the terms thereof; however, a default under the Disclosure Undertaking does not constitute an event of default under the Bond Resolution. The Disclosure Undertaking may be amended or terminated under certain circumstances in accordance with the Rule, as more fully described therein.

For purposes of this transaction with respect to events as set forth in the Rule:

- (a) there are no debt service reserve funds applicable to the Bonds;
- (b) there are no credit enhancements applicable to the Bonds;
- (c) there are no liquidity providers applicable to the Bonds; and
- (d) there is no property securing the repayment of the Bonds.

The District intends to file all future Annual Financial Information within the time requirements specified in the Disclosure Undertaking and has adopted policies and procedures to ensure the timely filing thereof including retaining Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, to serve as disclosure agent to the District. The District's policies and procedures are available to public upon request.

#### TAX TREATMENT

In the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, interest on the Bonds will be excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Further, Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds is exempt from income taxation and that the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.

The District has <u>not</u> designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

A copy of the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds is set forth in Appendix [\_\_] to the Official Statement.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions, and requirements relating to the exclusion of interest on obligations such as the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District has covenanted to comply with certain restrictions designed to ensure that interest on the related issues of Bonds will not be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with these covenants could result in interest on the Bonds being includable in income for federal income tax purposes and such inclusion could be required retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The opinion of Bond Counsel assumes compliance with these covenants. However, Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken) or events occurring (or not occurring) after the date of issuance of the Bonds may adversely affect the tax status of the interest on the Bonds.

Certain requirements and procedures contained or referred to in the Bond documents and any other relevant documents may be changed and certain actions (including, without limitation, defeasance of the Bonds) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in such documents. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any Bonds or the interest thereon if any such change occurs or action is taken or omitted upon the advice or approval of bond counsel other than Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will be excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that interest on the Bonds is excludible from gross income for Kentucky income tax purposes, the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may otherwise affect a bondholder's federal, state, or local tax liabilities. The nature and extent of these other tax consequences may depend upon the particular tax status of the bondholder or the bondholder's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinions regarding any tax consequences other than what is set forth in its opinion and each bondholder or potential bondholder is urged to consult with tax counsel regarding the effects of purchasing, holding, or disposing the Bonds on the tax liabilities of the individual or entity.

Receipt of tax-exempt interest, ownership, or disposition of the Bonds may result in other collateral federal, state, or local tax consequences for certain taxpayers. Such effects may include, without limitation, (i) increasing the federal tax liability of certain foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code, (ii) increasing the federal tax liability of certain insurance companies under Section 832 of the Code, (iii) increasing the federal tax liability and affecting the status of certain S Corporations subject to Sections 1362 and 1375 of the Code, (iv) increasing the federal tax liability of certain individual recipients of Social Security or the Railroad Retirement benefits under Section 86 of the Code, and (v) limiting the amount of the Earned Income Credit under Section 32 of the Code that might otherwise be available. Ownership of any of the Bonds may also result in the limitation of interest and certain other deductions for financial institutions and certain other taxpayers, pursuant to Section 265 of the Code. Finally, residence of the holder of the Bonds in a state other than Kentucky or being subject to tax in a state other than Kentucky may result in income or other tax liabilities being imposed by such states or their political subdivisions based on the interest or other income from the Bonds.

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#### EXHIBIT A-1

TO

#### OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE

#### FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

[In case of receipt of at least three qualified bids for the Bonds]

#### ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

Dated December 16, 2025

Re: \$[Final Par] Kenton County School District General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025B, dated December 16, 2025

The undersigned, on behalf of [Underwriter Name] (the "Transaction Underwriter"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds").

## 1. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.

- (a) As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the Public by the Transaction Underwriter are the prices listed in <u>Schedule I</u> attached hereto (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Bonds used by the Transaction Underwriter in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. A true and correct copy of the bid provided by the Transaction Underwriter to purchase the Bonds is attached hereto as Schedule II.
- (b) The Transaction Underwriter was not given the opportunity to review any other bids prior to submitting its bid.
- (c) The bid submitted by the Transaction Underwriter constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.
- 2. <u>Yield on the Bonds</u>. It computed the yield on the Bonds, [Yield]%, as that yield (determined on the basis of semiannual compounding) which, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest to be made with respect to particular obligations, produces an amount equal to their purchase price, which, in the case of the Bonds, is the Expected Offering Prices, determined without taking into account issuance expenses and Underwriter's discount.
- 3. <u>Weighted Average Maturity</u>. The weighted average maturity of the Bonds has been calculated to be [WAM] years. The weighted average maturity is the sum of the products of the respective Expected Offering Price of each Maturity and the number of years to maturity (determined separately for each Maturity and by taking into account mandatory redemptions), divided by the aggregate Expected Offering Prices of the Bonds as of the date hereof.

#### 4. Defined Terms.

- (a) "Issuer" means the Kenton County School District.
- (b) "Maturity" means any Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.
- (c) "Public" means any person (including an individual, a trust, an estate, a partnership, a company, an association, or a corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party," for the purposes of this certificate, generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50% common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (d) "Sale Date" means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is November 25, 2025.
- (e) "Underwriter" means (i) any person that agrees, under a written contract with the Issuer (or the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate), to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees, under a written contract, directly or indirectly, with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph, to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing contained in this certificate represents the Transaction Underwriter's interpretation of any laws, including, specifically, Section 103 and Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations issued thereunder. The Transaction Underwriter understands that the information set forth in this certificate will be relied upon (i) by the Issuer with respect to certain representations set forth in the Federal Tax Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and (ii) by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and any other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time in connection with the Bonds.

By:			
Name:			
Title:			

[UNDERWRITER NAME]

# SCHEDULE I TO ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

## **EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES**

(See attachment)

# SCHEDULE II TO ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

COPY OF BID

(See attachment)

#### EXHIBIT A-2

TO

#### OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE

#### FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

[In case of receipt of less than three qualified bids for the Bonds]

#### ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

Dated December 16, 2025

Re: \$[Final Par] Kenton County School District General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025B, dated December 16, 2025

The undersigned, [Underwriter Name] (the "Transaction Underwriter"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds").

#### 1. Issue Price.

- (a) As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity of the Bonds was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in <u>Schedule I</u> attached hereto (the "Sale Price," as applicable to each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities).
- (b) The Transaction Underwriter offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in <u>Schedule I</u> attached hereto (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds is attached to this certificate as Schedule II.
- Underwriter has agreed in writing that (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, it would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any third-party distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the third-party distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Under the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale or any selling group agreement or any third-party distribution agreement, no Underwriter (as defined herein) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Bonds during the Holding Period.
- (d) The aggregate of the Sale Prices of the General Rule Maturities and the Initial Offering Prices of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities is \$[Issue Price] (the "Issue Price").
- 2. <u>Yield on the Bonds</u>. It computed the yield on the Bonds, [Yield]%, as that yield (determined on the basis of semiannual compounding) which, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest to be made with respect to particular obligations,

produces an amount equal to their purchase price, which, in the case of the Bonds, is the Issue Price, determined without taking into account issuance expenses and Underwriter's discount.

3. <u>Weighted Average Maturity</u>. The weighted average maturity of the Bonds has been calculated to be [WAM] years. The weighted average maturity is the sum of the products of the respective Sale Price of each Maturity and the number of years to maturity (determined separately for each Maturity and by taking into account mandatory redemptions), divided by the aggregate Sale Price of the Bonds as of the date hereof.

#### 4. Defined Terms.

- (a) "General Rule Maturities" means those Maturities of the Bonds listed as the "General Rule Maturities" in Schedule I attached hereto.
- (b) "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities" means those Maturities of the Bonds listed as the "Hold-the-Offering Price Maturities" in <u>Schedule I</u> attached hereto.
- (c) "Holding Period" means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day following the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which the Transaction Underwriter has sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.
  - (d) "Issuer" means the Kenton County School District.
- (e) "Maturity" means any Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Any Bonds with different maturity dates, or any Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.
- (f) "Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale" means the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale prepared for distribution to potential bidders prior to the Sale Date of the Bonds.
- (g) "Public" means any person (including an individual, a trust, an estate, a partnership, a company, an association, or a corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party," for the purposes of this certificate, generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50% common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (h) "Sale Date" means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is November 25, 2025.
- (i) "Underwriter" means (i) any person that agrees, under a written contract with the Issuer (or the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate), to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees, under a written contract, directly or indirectly, with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph, to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing contained in this certificate represents the Transaction Underwriter's interpretation of any laws, including, specifically, Section 103 and Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable Treasury Regulations issued thereunder. The Transaction Underwriter understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon (i) by the Issuer with respect to certain representations set forth in the Federal Tax Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and (ii) by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and any other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time in connection with the Bonds. Except as expressly set forth above, the certifications set forth herein may not be relied upon or used by any third party or for any other purpose.

[TRANSACTION UNDERWRITER NAME]
By:
Name:
Title:

## SCHEDULE I TO ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

# SALE PRICES OF THE GENERAL RULE MATURITIES AND INITIAL OFFERING PRICES OF THE BONDS

### General Rule Maturities

			Actual Sale		
<b>Maturity</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<u>Interest</u>	Price of		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Rate	<u>First 10%</u>	<u>Issue Price</u>	<b>CUSIP</b>

## Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities

<u>Maturity</u>	<b>Principal</b>	<u>Interest</u>	Initial		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Rate	Offering Price	Issue Price	<b>CUSIP</b>

# SCHEDULE II TO ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

## COPY OF PRICING WIRE

(See attachment)

#### APPENDIX I

### KENTON COUNTY (KENTUCKY) SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

OFFICIAL BID FORM

#### OFFICIAL BID FORM

#### KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025B

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale for \$16,740,000\* of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025B (the "Bonds"), dated their date of initial issuance and delivery offered for sale by the Kenton County School District (the "District") in accordance with the Preliminary Official Statement dated [November\_\_\_\_, 2025] and the Notice of Bond Sale, to all of which the undersigned agrees, the undersigned hereby submits the following offer to purchase the Bonds.

We hereby bid for the \$16,740,000\* principal amount of the Bonds, the total sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (not less than \$16,405,200\*) at the following annual rate(s), payable semiannually (rates of any maturity may be less than any preceding maturity, number of interest rates unlimited):

		<u>Interest</u>			<u>Interest</u>
<u>Maturity</u>	Amount*	Rate	<u>Maturity</u>	Amount*	Rate
December 1, 2026	\$[]	%	December 1, 2036	\$[]	%
December 1, 2027	\$[]	%	December 1, 2037	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2028	<b>\$</b> []	<u>%</u>	December 1, 2038	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2029	<b>\$</b> []	<u>%</u>	December 1, 2039	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2030	<b>\$</b> []	<u>%</u>	December 1, 2040	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2031	\$[]	<u>%</u>	December 1, 2041	\$[]	%
December 1, 2032	\$[]	%	December 1, 2042	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2033	\$[]	%	December 1, 2043	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2034	<b>\$</b> []	<u>%</u>	December 1, 2044	<b>\$</b> []	%
December 1, 2035	\$[]	%	December 1, 2045	\$[]	

The Bonds maturing in the following years:	: are sinking fund redemption	n
amounts for term bonds due	The Bonds maturing in the following year	s:
are sinking fund redemption amo	ounts for term bonds due	

Bids may be submitted electronically via BiDCOMPTM/PARITYTM pursuant to this Notice until the appointed date and time, but no bid will be received after such time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, completed bid forms may be submitted until the appointed date and time (i) in a sealed envelope marked "Official Bid for Bonds" or (ii) by facsimile transmission, in each case delivered to the office of the Executive Director of the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission, 700 Louisville Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Neither the District nor the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor assumes any responsibility whatsoever with regard to the receipt of bids, or that adequate personnel and/or equipment are available to accept all facsimile transfers of bids before the appointed date and time of sale. Bidders have sole responsibility of assuring that their bids have been received via facsimile or delivered before the appointed date and time of sale. Any bids in progress by facsimile at the appointed time will be considered as received by the appointed time. No bids will be received via telephone.

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<sup>\*</sup> Subject to Permitted Adjustment.

We understand this bid may be accepted with variations in maturing amounts at the same price per \$1,000 of Bonds, with the variation in such amount occurring in any maturity of all maturities, such variations to be determined by the District at the time of acceptance of the best bid.

It is understood that the District will furnish the final, approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel, Covington, Kentucky.

No certified or bank cashier's check will be required to accompany the bid, but the successful bidder shall be required to wire transfer an amount equal to 2% of the principal amount of Bonds awarded by the close of business on the day following the award. The good faith amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price when the Bonds are tendered for delivery.

If we are the successful bidder, we agree to accept and make payment for the Bonds in federal funds within forty five days from the date of sale in accordance with the terms of the sale.

	Respectfully submitted,		
	Bid	der	
	Add	ress	
	Signa	ature	
Net interest cost: Date of Delivery (estimated to to Final Maturity	be December 16, 2025)	\$	
(Less Premium) or Plus Discount, if any		\$	
Net interest cost (i.e. NIC)		\$	
Average interest rate or cost			%

The above computation of net interest cost and of average interest rate or cost is submitted for information only and is not a part of this Bid.

Accepted by the Chair of the Board of Education of the Kenton County	School District for
\$ principal amount of Bonds at the price of \$	as follows:

		<u>Interest</u>			<u>Interest</u>
<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Rate	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>
December 1, 2026	\$	%	December 1, 2036	\$	%
December 1, 2027	\$		December 1, 2037	\$	
December 1, 2028	\$		December 1, 2038	\$	
December 1, 2029	\$	%	December 1, 2039	\$	
December 1, 2030	\$	%	December 1, 2040	\$	%
December 1, 2031	\$	%	December 1, 2041	\$	
December 1, 2032	\$	<u></u>	December 1, 2042	\$	
December 1, 2033	\$	%	December 1, 2043	\$	
December 1, 2034	\$		December 1, 2044	\$	
December 1, 2035	\$	%	December 1, 2045	\$	%

Chair, Board of Education Kenton County School District

Dated: November 25, 2025